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FINAL BATTLE IN ARCHBALD'S CASE

House Managers and Attorneys for Accused Jurist File Arguments.

TAKE UP DISPUTED POINT

Question is Whether an Official May be Impeached for Acts Which Are Not Indictable in a Criminal Court.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The final legal battle in the impeachment trial of Judge Robert Archbald of the Commerce Court, opened today when the House managers and attorneys for the accused judge submitted in printed form to the Senators, arguments as to whether an official may be impeached for acts which are not the subject of prosecution, indictment or information in a criminal court. The arguments are regarded as important because no claim is made in the Archbald case that the acts charged constituted crimes or misdemeanors punishable in the courts. They also discussed the disputed point of whether an official may be impeached for acts done before he entered upon the duties of his existing office.

House managers in the impeachment trial contended in their brief that the clause in the constitution defining impeachable offenses was taken from the British parliamentary law and prevailing at the time of the formation of the American government and must be interpreted not by the light of the common law of crimes, but by the light of the time-honored parliamentary usage.

This parliamentary usage, they declared, recognized "high crimes and misdemeanors" to be "misdeeds, misconduct and misbehavior."

They quoted many writers and referred to the previous impeachment trials in the United States to sustain their ground.

"It may be," retorted the attorneys for Judge Archbald in reply to this argument, "that in the early history of England cases will be found in which alleged political offenders were removed from office by being sent to the block and having their entrails held up before them while they were yet alive, but it is assumed that the learned managers in this case will not care to rely upon proceedings of that kind as indicating what may be lawfully done today in the Senate of the United States."

The attorneys turned to the impeachment provision of the constitution to support their contention that only criminal offenses were the subject of impeachment procedings.

"Why the provision that the officer convicted in an impeachment proceeding shall still be liable to indictment, trial and punishment, according to the law," if any offenses but those punishable by law are intended to be the subject of impeachment proceedings"? they inquired.

Why in the pardon clause of the constitution is impeachment excepted from pardonable offenses against the United States if impeachment was deemed to be for acts which are not offenses against the United States?" they further inquired.

"Above all, why, in fixing the place of trial of all crimes, is impeachment excepted if that be not a trial for a crime?"

BANK OF BURNSVILLE CLOSED.

Cashier Arrested, Admits Shortage of $31,000 in Accounts.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 24.—State Bank Examiner S. A. Hubbard reported to the Corporation Commission today that he has taken charge of and closed up the Citizens' Bank of Burnsville, and caused the arrest of Cashier J. B. Henley, who confessed that his accounts are $31,000 short. The directors of the bank have assured the bank examiner that if the shortage is found not to exceed this amount they desire to make good the losses and reopen the bank. President C. Byrd, of the bank, first intimated to the Commission that he feared there was trouble in the affairs of the institution and suggested a special examination by Mr. Hubbard. The report of the bank made in November in compliance with the regular quarterly call showed capital $16,900; surplus $2,000; profits $822; re-discounts $23,712; time deposits $36,208; deposits subject to check $105,651.

CHRISTMAS AT WHITE HOUSE.

Taft Remembers 126 Employes With Big Fat Turkeys.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Although President Taft is in Panama he made arrangements before his departure whereby all of the faithful employes of the White House should receive Christmas remembrances and today each of the 126 employes received a large fat turkey, the gift of the President and Mrs. Taft. In addition the President made scores of personal remembrances and presents to White House employes. The only members of the President's family who will spend Christmas at the White House will be Robert and Miss Helen.

EXTRA SESSION MARCH 15TH.

After Conference With Clark, Wilson Announces He Will Meet Wishes of Democratic Leaders. Tariff Revision.

Library of Congress

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 24.—Congress probably will be called into extraordinary session by President-elect Wilson shortly after his inauguration, perhaps on March 15th, and the particular legislation that will come before it will be tariff revision. After a two hours' conference with Speaker Champ Clark, the President-elect declared today he would endeavor to meet the wishes of Democratic leaders in Congress, who he was informed were axnious that the interval between the two sessions of Congress be as brief as possible.

Mr. Wilson announced before he left for Bermuda that he would call the extra session to convene "not later than April 15th." As to the exact date, he said, he would consult the wishes of the Democratic leaders in Congress. Mr. Clark is understood to favor March 15th as the day to begin work.

"The sooner we get started, the better," he told the President-elect.

While the Speaker said the time of the present session would be consumed with appropriation bills, leaving the bulk of the programme and platform pledges to the new Congress, he concurred with Mr. Wilson that the tariff should be the foremost subject to come before the special session. The Speaker was delayed by the snow storm in reaching the State House. He found the Governor waiting for him for luncheon and the two leaders sat alone in the private dining room of the capitol talking earnestly for two hours.

When the conference was over, Mr. Wilson said the talk "had been along universal lines," legislation as well as cabinet possibilities being taken up. He added that they had discussed the "general character of the extra session and the preparedness of general legislation to come before it."

"We both agreed that the tariff should be the main interest of the extra session," said the Governor.

Urging an early meeting of Congress, the speaker told Mr. Wilson that he believed members of Congress ought not be kept waiting too long between sessions. The President-elect did not disclose what names he and Mr. Clark discussed for the cabinet. He said, at the outset, however, that the speaker "had not come primed with suggestions, but rather hesitated to express himself on the subject of cabinet until asked, "because he considered that a sort of family relationship existed between the President and his cabinet."

"I asked the speaker for his opinion as to several names," said Mr. Wilson, "and the names we did mention he went over in a very judicial spirit. He has had so much experience, and I knew he could tell me some things about the public men that I otherwise would not be able to get, chiefly as to their experience."

Both the speaker and Governor Wilson said Mr. Bryan's name had not been mentioned in the conference.

When the newspaper men approached the speaker, he declined to give out any information as to his talk with the Governor. They pressed him, however, as to whether Mr. Bryan had been discussed.

"No," he answered, "I'll give you that much information—it was not."

When he was interrogated later about Mr. Bryan, the speaker said plainly that he did not like to be interviewed about the Nebraskan.

"I am not going to talk about him," he said, "you can mark that down and there is no use to talk about it. I don't want to seem unkind or discourteous, but there are some things I will do and some I won't. This is one of the things I will not do."

Governor Wilson described his talk with Mr. Clark as "very cordial". He always has the most genial and cordial attitude," said the President-elect, of his visitor.

The Governor heard from Mr. Clark that Representative Underwood's health was improving. A tentative appointment has been arranged by the Governor with Mr. Underwood for next Tuesday. After the conference with Mr. Underwood the President-elect said he expected to receive many members of Congress by appointment.

"In all these conferences," said Mr. Wilson, "we do not discuss specific things so much, but I try to get as much counsel as I can with regard to men and policies. With Mr. Clark today, for instance, I went over the situation as to men for the cabinet and policies, covering practically the same ground as I did with Mr. Bryan."

FRANK SMITH TO AID VICK

Baltimorean to Assist In Forming Inauguration Plans

Washington, December 22.—Frank Smith, of Baltimore, formerly private secretary to Capt. Isaac E. Emerson, who had charge of the Emerson Hotel during the convention week, was today appointed to the position of personal assistant to Secretary Walter W. Vick, of the inaugural committee.

Mr. Vick came down from New York today and after a conference with Chairman William Corcoran Eustis, the appointment of Mr. Smith was announced. Since the Baltimore Convention Mr. Smith has been identified with the Democratic National Committee in a publicity capacity.

Chairman Eustis is rapidly pushing to completion plans for the ceremonies which will mark the unofficial induction into the White House of President-elect Woodrow Wilson.

HOLD CONFERENCE ON EXTRA SESSION

Wilson and Underwood Will Talk Over Plans Some Time This Week.

SOME UNCERTAINTY ON DATE

All Democratic Leaders Agreed on Necessity for Extra Session but Views Differ As to Date for Calling It

Washington, December 24.—Plans for the extra session of Congress to be called sometime between March 4th and April 15th, next, will be discussed and maybe tentatively framed at a conference at Princeton probably late this week between President-elect Wilson and Representative Underwood, of Alabama, Democratic leader of the House.

Mr. Underwood is gradually recovering from the grippe and he has advised Mr. Wilson that this prevented his acceptance of an invitation to confer with him at a definite date, but it is probable the time will be determined by Mr. Wilson within the next 24 hours.

All the Democratic leaders are agreed upon the calling of an extra session, the only uncertainty being as to the date. Their position is that the range of subjects to be taken up at the extra session can be determined upon the basis of the incoming President's suggestion in his call for the session. As voiced by one of the leaders if President Wilson should call the extra session to consider the tariff and the trusts, the House probably will be fairly governed b ythat recommendation and the leaders point in this connection to the last extra session, which convened on April 4th as a precedent for the ability of the House Democracy to refrain from running amuck on general legislation when called for a specific purpose.

Views differ as to when the extra session should begin. It is understood that the Democratic majority on the Ways and Means Committee, a number of whom were at the capital today, favor the policy of the President-elect's withholding decision as to the date of the extra session until they have had an opportunity to close up the coming holdings on the various schedules of the tariff and to frame the tentative tariff revision bill for the consideration and action of the incoming Congress. The hearings are scheduled to continue until the last of January. The Democrats of the committee then in session will hold constant meetings, formulating the draft of a general bill, which the incoming Ways and Means Committee can adopt and present as a committee measure for the decision of the House as to whether it is feasible for the pressing through this legislation schedule by schedule or as a general bill.

An interesting bit of gossip today was a flat denial that W. J. Bryan, on his recent visit here in discussing the tariff, advocated carrying out the Underwood programme of resolutions of legislation schedule by schedule as in the last session of Congress and to follow that up with a general revenue bill, making still further deductions to a revenue basis, the idea being as Mr. Bryan was quoted to prevent "dickering" among protectionists.

The Ways and Means Committee majority expect to have the tentative bill ready by the expiration of this Congress, but as it may not be ready at that time the desire is expressed to hold off the date of the extra session until the finish of the tariff work is in sight.

FIFTEEN PERSONS INJURED

Seminole Limited on Central of Georgia Wrecked at Americus

Americus, Ga., December 24.—Fifteen persons were injured, several seriously, when passenger train No. 9, known as Seminole Limited, on the Central of Georgia Railroad, was wrecked five miles north of here today. The train was filled with tourists bound from Florida to points in the Central West, and that none was killed is considered a miracle. A bad alignment of the rails is given as the cause of the acident in the official report. Three sleepers left the rails, but did not turn over. Relief trains were rushed from Americus and Columbus and the tracks were cleared by midday.

INCREASE FOR LINEMEN

Bell Telephone Co., Adds 15 Per Cent To Their Salaries

Atlanta, Ga., December 24.—An increase of approximately 15 per cent in the wages of linemen employed by the Southern Bell and Cumberland Telephone companies, to be effective January 1st, was announced by officials of the companies today. The increase was granted voluntarily, and is in line with the recent establishment of a $10,000 benefit fund by the Bell Telephone Company, to which the Southern Bell and Cumberland companies are subsidiary.

More than 1,500 linemen throughout the Southern States will benefit from today's "Christmas gift."

NEARLY A CENTURY OF PEACE

Leading Public Men of Great Britain, Canada and United States Express Appreciation on 98th Anniversary

Belfast, Ireland, Dec. 24.—The celebration of the 98th anniversary of peace between the United States and the British Empire was made the occasion today for expressions of appreciation by many of the leading public men in Great Britain, the United States and Canada, through the medium of the Belfast Telegraph.

Earl Grey, former governor general of Canada, wrote:

"The hundred years' peace has been of untold value to the political and social development alike of Great Britain, the United States and the Canadian dominion. We hope to have a worthy celebration of the event two years hence."

The Earl of Meath wrote:

"War between the two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon race let us firmly believe to be an impossibility in the future. Such a belief will go far to make it impossible."

Rev. C. W. Brewster, bishop of Connecticut, wrote:

"Whatsoever wars and rumors of wars, there may be, we know that there never can be war again between this republic and the United Kingdom."

President McKenzie, of Dalhouse University of Halifax, N. S., wrote:

"Canada may well rejoice that she has been fortunate enough to spend her period of natural youth free from the stunting influences of war. She joins the United States and the motherland in celebrating the 98th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Ghent, which has meant so much not only for Canada, the Empire, and the United States, but also for the progress of civilization."

Chancellor McCrimmon, of McMaster University, Toronto, wrote:

"Ninety-eight years of peace and good will throughout the Anglo-Saxon world. May the Angel of Peace continue to guide the statesmen of the British Empire and of the United States."

Secretary of State Philander C. Knox wrote:

"This anniversary serves to remind us not of the termination of a great struggle, but of the subsequent passing of almost a century of peace and good will. In this long era of unbroken friendship we English-speaking countries have realized and benefitted from our kindship. Neighborly intercourse and trade have developed and grown to colossal proportions."

G. W. Wickersham, the United States Attorney General, wrote:

"The peace established between us nearly a century ago has now become not only a habit, but a condition, one which it is unthinkable should ever be altered."

M. Burrell, Canadian minister for agriculture, wrote:

"If to commemorate special days is a good thing in general it is especially pleasant to think of the commemoration of a day which happily has led to a century of peace between countries so intimately associated by ties of blood, race and language."

STR. MARION IN COLLISION

Liner Strikes Unknown Vessel While Outward Bound from Philadelphia

Philadelphia, December 24. — The steamship Merion, which sailed today from Philadelphia for Liverpool, was in collision with an unknown vessel early tonight in the lower Delaware Bay. The extent of the damage to the Merion is not known. Wireless reports to the Maritime Exchange say she is returning to Philadelphia under her own steam. Aboard the Merion are 22 first and 133 second cabine passengers.

OUTLINES

A blizzard descended upon the North Atlantic seaboard yesterday and played havoc with shipping, two vessels being driven ashore on the New Jersey coast.

President-elect Wilson and Oscar Underwood will hold a conference at Princeton some time this week and formulate plans for the convening of an extra session of Congress.

District Attorney Miller challenged the lawyers for the defense at the dynamite trial yesterday to speak in behalf of Herbert S. Hockin and J. E. Munsey. His challenge went unheeded.

Turkey's delegates to the peace conference are using every diplomatic device to postpone the inevitable dismemberment of her territory which has been their armed camp for 500 years.

After a conference with Champ Clark yesterday President-elect Wilson announced he would endeavor to meet the wishes of the Democratic leaders in regard to calling an extra session of Congress as soon as possible, and March 15th, will likely be the date set for the convening.

The final legal battle in the impeachment trial of Judge Archbald opened yesterday when the House managers and the accused jurist's attorneys submitted arguments as to whether an official may be impeached for acts which are not the subject of prosecution in a criminal court.

New York markets: Money on call steady, 5 to 8 per cent.; ruling rate 6; closing bid 5 1-2; offered at 6. Spot cotton closed steady. Flour dull. Wheat steady; No. 2 red 1.08 and 1.09. Corn easy; export 54 3-4. Turpentine and rosin quiet.

NO CHAMPION FOR TWO "DYNAMITERS"

No One of Defense's Attorneys Will Speak for Hockin and Munsey

CHALLENGED BY PROSECUTION

District Attorney Miller Denounces Senator Kern for Defending "Dynamiters" Instead of Staying in Washington.

Indianapolis, Dec. 24.—Standing before the jury at the trial of the 40 accused "bomb plotters", United States District Attorney Charles W. Miller today challenged any of the defense's 12 lawyers to speak in behalf of J. E. Munsey, of Salt Lake City, or of Herbert S. Hockin, former secretary of the Iron Workers' Union.

Munsey was accused of harboring James B. McNamara in the latter's flight from Los Angeles after blowing up the Times building there and was branded by the district attorney "as one of the men who ought to be in the penitentiary for murder along with the McNamaras."

Hockin was declared to be the Iago of the conspiracy, who started the dynamiting and then snitched on the others to promote his own ambition."

No one accepted Mr. Miller's offer. The dramatic scene ensued after United States Senator John W. Kern had ended his argument for the defense.

Mr. Miller criticised Senator Kern's argument as coming from "one who ought to be in Washington."

"If it required $200,000 for Clarence Darrow to bring the trial of the McNamaras at Los Angeles to a successful plea of guilty, what must it have cost to retain counsel here, with exjudges and a United States Senator as lawyers?" shouted Mr. Miller. "How can men for mere money raise their voices for such consummate criminals."

"Yet in all this long trial I have heard no voice raised in behalf of two of the defendants. Who of the lawyers will stand up and say Hockin is not guilty? Who will say that Munsey is not guilty? I will give 20 minutes of the government's time to any lawyer who will argue that these men are not guilty."

Here the district attorney turned from the jury box, looked with an outstretched hand towards the attorneys and paused. Senator Kern was not present. For a moment Mr. Miller waited with the court room in silence.

"No answer," said Mr. Miller.

"There is not a lawyer present who will defend Hockin or Munsey. Not a voice in behalf of these men.

"Senator Kern, paid by the public to perform a public service, who ought to be in Washington now attending to his duties, instead of being here, has dared to appear in this court and in total disregard for the law has appealed to the prejudice and passions of this jury in behalf of the wives and children of these defendants. Who appealed in behalf of the women and children who were relatives of the 21 persons killed in the Los Angeles Times explosion? Nobody."

"Four hours were taken up by the defense with Hiram R. Kline. But only three minutes were given to Olaf Tveitmoe, of San Francisco. Enough evidence has been produced to show that Tveitmoe, Eugene A. Clancy and Munsey all ought to be with McNamara in San Queintin prison in California for murder. If I were the prosecuting officer of Los Angeles county, Tveitmoe and Clancy would be prosecuted for murder and if the jury was composed of honest men they would soon be with McNamara, along with some others.

"And among the others would be Frank M. Ryan, president of the Iron Workers' Union and Frank C. Webb, of New York. No witnesses appeared here for Webb and he did not take the stand. I would have given him something to explain if he had."

Mr. Miller commented on the failure of Philip A. Cooley, New Orleans, to testify in his own behalf. Cooley, a member of the union's executive board, is charged with planning to cause explosions in Southern States about the time of McNamara's arrest.

Cooley did not take the stand because he saw what a poor showing John T. Butler, vice president of the union, made," said Mr. Miller. Butler, after leaving the stand was accused by the court of having committed perjury and his bond of $10,000 was increased to $15,000, in default of which he still is confined in jail.

New light on the trial, showing, as the government has charged, that it grew out of attempts to obstruct the removal of evidence from Indianapolis to Los Angeles, was given by Mr. Miller. He said the reason the investigation began here was because Leo Rapport, attorney for the International Association of Bridge & Structural Iron Workers, of which J. J. McNamara was secretary, destroyed evidence on instructions from McNamara while the latter was in jail, and because Frank P. Baker, prosecuting attorney of Marion county, Indiana, "joined in the obstruction against the removal of evidence to J. D. Fredericks, district attorney of Los Angeles county."

The Federal government was appealed to and it stepped in to procure the papers in the Iron Workers' headquarters with the revelation that the Federal laws had been violated.

"Again I say if I were prosecuting attorney of Los Angeles county I would have this man Rapport indicted as an accessory after the fact of murder."

BLIZZARD STRIKES THE COAST

Atlantic Seaboard Swept by Blinding Snow Storm—Two Vessels Driven Ashore on New Jersey Coast—Collision.

New York, Dec. 24.—A blizzard born at midnight and growing rapidly each hour, swept New York and the North Atlantic seaboard today. By noon the storm had blanketed the city with 10 inches of snow; the wind had risen to a 40-mile gale and had driven two vessels on the treacherous sands of the New Jersey coast. With the snow still falling furiously at midday, the city was becoming stormbound. In open places the snow has drifted to a depth of many feet.

The local weather bureau declared that the storm would continue without abatement for several hours at least and the wind would reach a greater velocity. Indications were that New York would be buried under the heaviest Christmas snow in a generation.

The two vessels in distress were the Turrialba, of the United Fruit Company and the three-master, John H. May, of Philadelphia. The Turrialba summoned aid early in the day, and the revenue cutter Seneca was sent to her rescue. The John H. May, with her crew of six landed, was pounded by a heavy sea off Sandy Hook.

The snow in the harbor was blinding, four ocean liners, one of them with Mrs. J. P. Morgan aboard, lying at anchor off quarantine, fearful of braving the thick weather to their docks. They were the Rotterdam from Rotterdam; the George Washington from Bremen; the Suriname from Paramareibo, and the Catherine Cuneo, from Port Antonio.

Earlier in the day a ferry boat and a tug collided in the upper harbor, injuring four men, two of them fatally.

Across the Hudson the railroad yards were choked with incoming passenger trains, some of them hours late and all of them heavily laden. Reports of snow-bound suburban trains, of street traffic blocked and of vessels storm-bound were received from many Eastern cities as the day advanced.

Aid Comes to St. Turrialba.

Sandy Hook, N. J., Dec. 24.—Aid came tonight to the steamer Turrialba as she lay hard and fast aground on the Jersey sands, south of Barnegat, pounded by a sea still high, though falling and with more than 60 passengers on board anxiously awaiting rescue. Summoned to their aid by wireless, the revenue cutter Seneca, after a run under forced draught from New York, reached the side of the United Fruit Company liner shortly after nightfall, prepared to give what assistance might be necessary. As the Turrialba, though beginning to list badly, was not taking water and the falling sea and wind combined to mitigate the dangers of her position, it was decided not to make any attempt to remove her passengers before morning. The dry ship and the assurances of the officers that the vessel was in no immediate danger of breaking up served to make their Christmas eve on board if not exactly merry, at least bearable.

Tonight a wireless via Cape May shortly before 10 o'clock to the office of the line read: "Seneca arrived. We have decided to hold passengers till daylight owing to heavy swell. Seneca and life savers aboard standing by. Ship dry." (Signed) "LINDSAY."

For many hours after the steamer grounded, the life savers were unable to find her in the blinding snow storm which was raging. During the afternoon, a life saving crew made its way out to her and stood by ready to give assistance. The word that came from the steamer was reassuring.

Though in a precarious position and pounding considerably, her hull was intact.

Before the Seneca reached her, however, the continued surging of the seas had rendered the lot of those on board decidedly more uncomfortable. An urgent message asking assistance as speedily as possible was sent at 5 o'clock and two hours later, the following was received:

"Ship has taken heavy list. Have asked for more assistance. Ship dry. Stern, frame, rudder post and rudder gone and propeller damaged.

Capt. Lindsay signed this message. Weather conditions were improving tonight. This with the presence of the Seneca and the fact that the steamer was taking no water reassured anxious friends of those on board. Wrecking tugs from New York and Norfolk were dispatched during the day and this evening the arrival of the relief boat from this city was reported. The wrecking vessels stand ready, should it prove necessary, to lighter the Turrialba's cargo which consists largely of coffee, bananas and hides.

Advices at a late hour were that the steamer had worked out four miles south from Little Beach and then was in shallow water off South Brigantine. She is broadside on, at an angle of about 15 degrees. The crew exhausted by steady work, was relieved tonight by life savers from the nearby stations.

Waukegan, Ill., Dec. 24.—One person was instantly killed and three seriously injured today when a northbound Chicago & Northwestern passenger train crashed into a funeral cortege at Valley Junction, several miles south of here.

TURKEY'S ENVOYS FIGHT FOR DELAY

Use Every Device to Postpone Inevitable Dismemberment of Empire

BALKAN ALLIES CONFIDENT

Have Already Agreed on Boundaries for Autonomous Albania—Why Austria Does Not Demobilize is Question Now.

London, Dec. 24.—Turkey's delegates to the peace conference, although they realize that eventually they must accept the conditions laid down by the allies to bring about peace in Southeastern Europe, are following their usual course of procrastination and will take advantage of every diplomatic device to postpone the inevitable dismemberment of the territory which has been their armed camp for 500 years. Meanwhile, however, the allies are so confident that the outcome of the peace negotiations will be in line with their demands, that they already have agreed on the boundaries for an autonomous Albania. The boundaries will be submitted later to the ambassadorial conference, which has adjourned to meet early in the New Year.

The question looming sinister before Europe now is not when peace will be signed by the belligerents, but why, in view of the settlement of the quarrel between Austria and Servia, Austria does not demobilize.

The allies have agreed to propose to the ambassadorial conference the following frontier for an autonomous Albania:

North along the left bank of the river Drin, leaving a few miles on the bank of that river to Montenegro as it represented the only possible outlet from the interior to the sea.

The eastern frontier is marked by the watershed between Albania and Servia, leaving to Servia both Prysrend and Monastir. The Southern frontier consists of a line practically straight from South Italona, to the watershed, leaving the town of Erghe-rikastro to Greece.

The proposed frontier between Montenegro and Servia will be along the White Drin, leaving Djacova to Montenegro and passing through the source of the river Ibar at a spot called Rojas, from where it reaches, in a straight line to the river Lim, which constitutes the last part of the frontier, leaving the town of Plevlie to Montenegro.

The Aegean Islands will go to Greece, they having a population made up almost entirely of Greeks. But Athens pledges the neutralization of these islands, desiring to guarantee to all the powers free passage and liberty of commerce throughout the archipelago.

Although the Bulgarians yesterday asked to be permitted to occupy territory on a line from Rodosto, on the sea of Marmora, to Midia, on the Black Sea, it is believed they will be satisfied to have the frontier start from Enos, a port on the Aegean sea, and follow the Maritza river until it reaches a point south of Lule Burgas, and then cut across eastward to Midia. This line, while it would not give Adrianople to the Bulgarians, would prevent it from being a menace in the future. It is purposed to make Saloniki and the surrounding territory within a radius of 100 miles neutral under the protection of the allies. The European chancelleries are watching with the keenest anxiety for some sign of demobilization of the Austrian forces.

Cares of Office Cast Off.

London, Dec. 24.—Peace plenipotentiaries of the Ottoman Empire and of the Balkan allies have for the most part momentarily cast off the cares of office and are enjoying the hospitalities of their diplomatic representatives in London.

There remains litle doubt in diplomatic circles that the crisis ultimately will be surmounted without a resumption of hostilities. Despite the outward appearance of a unity of view, it is known there is considerable latent jealousy among the allied nations and as this tends to sharpen the differences as to the amount of credit due to the work of the respective armies, there are indications of a desire on the part of the members of the Balkan League to yield some of the demands so as to hasten a settlement.

DROP BIG LEAGUE SCHEDULES

Johnson and Dreyfus Will Do Work at Aiken, S. C.

Chicago, Ill., December 24.—President Johnson, of the American League, left tonight for Aiken, S. C., where he will join Barney Dreyfus owner of the Pittsburgh Nationals, and draft the 1913 schedules of the two major leagues. The schedules will be presented for adoption at a meeting of the leagues in New York in February. Johnson represents the schedule committee of the American League and Dreyfus is a member of the schedule board of the National League.

..Theatrical..

Christmas at the Academy of Music is going to be big and merry. The Four Pickerts and their splendid company will hold the boards at both matinee and tonight, and will offer the folks of Wilmington fine entertainment fitting to the occasion. Two performances will be given today, matinee and night, and it is safe to predict that large audiences will be on hand to enjoy the plays, and accompanying swell vaudeville. At matinee this afternoon the company will present a big scenic production of "Robinson Crusoe", which will delight both old and young. While it is a play that will catch the fancy of the youngsters it is powerful in nature and will immensely please the grown-ups. The prices for the matinee will be 10, 20 and 30 cents, the same as at night, and between the acts of the matinee performance a clever line of specialties will be presented. The Pickerts, headed by dashing, charming Blanche will offer a vaudeville dance sketch that will prove a winner.

Tonight the company will be seen in a rousing farce comedy, "The Hotel Upside Down". It is a corker for laughs, and will be given a fine production. New vaudeville will be introduced between the acts. Seats can be purchased at Plummer's today for both performances.

"The Prince of Pilsen."

Talking of "big" actors, there can be no question of the propriety of classifying thus at least eight players who will appear this season under the management of Henry W. Savage. Jess Dandy, who plays Hans Wagner in "The Prince of Pilsen", and Otis Harlan, who is the Dupont, the detective in "Little Boy Blue", are heavyweights of musical comedy. Edward Begley and Charles Everett Wright, who will be the "Little Jimmy" Wellington of the two "Excuse Me" productions, are at the head of their weight class. Sidney Greenstreet, who played Wellington last season and who has an important role in the new Rupert Hughes comedy, is well upholstered. Frederick de Belleville and Nestor Lennon, who play Weath with the two "Everywoman" companies, are not physically rotund, but the height and breadth of each is sufficient to make him a noticeable even in a crowd of big men. "The Prince of Pilsen" is announced to appear at the Academy of Music next Monday night.

Xmas at the Grand Theatre.

The Grand Theatre will be resplendent in its holiday presentation today and all friends of the popular little theatre are invited to come in and make merry. There will be a special programme of music for the holiday. Mr. Leonard Chick will sing that song of all songs, "The Rosary," and those who have heard him in this number will be more than pleased to hear it again. The music is specially arranged by Prof. Brown. The orchestra has a fine programme and one that should delight everyone. "The Turkey Trot", by Jos. M. Daly; "Parisienne Selection," by Al Von Hilzer; "Wild Fox March" by King Kollins, and "Dunkenspiel's Xmas Fantasia," by Prof. Brown, will be among the numbers on the big and popular programme.

For the holiday there will be four great pictures, two of them being Kalems, "Strong Arm Nellie", the story of an athletic girl, and "The Landlubber," in which is depicted the love of a fisher maid for the town photographer. Parental objection comes in and there is a mixed comedy that is new and refreshing. Then there is a big spectacular Edison, "A Forest Fire." The scene is laid in the Sierras and there are several thrilling pictures that will keep the interest at fever heat from beginning to end.

Yuletide at The Bijou

The popular, fascinating Bijou has prepared for the biggest Christmas in its history. It has made extensive arrangements to present today what will be its banner bill. Combined with the big show will be the solid comforts of The Bijou and regardless of the fact that today is a holiday and that an extra large size bill—costly, too—will be offered the price of admission will not be advanced. It will remain at 5 cents, afternoon and night. Truly, it will not be a complete Christmas for an amusement lover if today's gerat show at The Bijou is missed.

A special released 2-reel film is the star today. It is "Rube Marquard Wins," and it's a baseball story with snap and vim. It shows the New York Giants in action and, besides, possesses a beautiful plot. But this is not all. Alice Joyce, the noted moving picture actress, so dear to the hearts of all lovers of the "movies," will be seen as the co-star with "Rube" Marquard. Think of that! It is really a phenomenal offering and one The Bijou management feels justly proud over. It is Bijou out-Bijoued by The Bijou.

Another great star film on today is "None But The Brave Deserve the Fair." It is an ever-fascinating theme.

Another great film star is "The Farm Bully." It is a great novelty and well fits into a big holiday bill, just such as offered by The Bijou today.

There will also be special music at the theatre today. So any one who goes shy on seeing The Bijou's Christmas show is going to be minus a big chunk of pure delight and merriment.

—Among the marriage licenses issued yesterday were: Mr. Joseph H. Lea, of Burton, S. C., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. U. Lea, of Hamstead, and Miss Julia Pearl Russ, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Russ, of Hamstead; Mr. Miles Gurganus and Mrs. Mattie Powers, of Wilmington.

Grand Orchestra Today

Special programme of music and "The Rosary" by Mr. Leonard Chick. Be sure to attend one of today's performances. (Advertisement.)

MORPHINE WHISKEY AND TOBACCO Habits Cured by new painless method. NO DEPOSIT OR FEE required until cure is effected. Endorsed by Governor and other State officials. Home or sanitarium treatment. Booklet free.
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ACADEMY
SCHLOSS THEATRE CIRCUIT
CHRISTMAS DAY
(Today)
MATINEE AND NIGHT
FOUR PICKERTS
THIS AFTERNOON
"ROBINSON CRUSOE"
TONIGHT
"HOTEL UPSIDE DOWN."
10—20—30 Cents.
Seats on sale at Plummer's for both performances.

What's Better For Xmas?

than a nice

FOUNTAIN PEN

We have them from $1.00 to $9.00 each.

Pocketbooks and Card Cases. New style Hair and Cloth Brushes. Celluloid Baby Sets, Blue, White and Pink Household Medicine Chests.

Elegant Cigar Lighter and Ash Trays from $1.00 to $3.50.

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Special Xmas Values—25 per cent. cut on regular prices.

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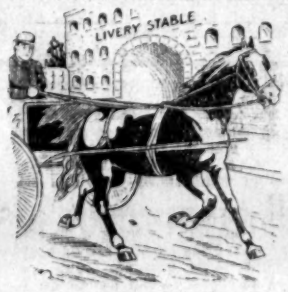
The Up-to-Date Drug Store.



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on time every time. Whether your journey is one of pleasure or business, this livery stable will supply a rig that will land you where you want to go, when you want to get there. You don't have to push on the reins to make our horses go. They are the kind that can and will travel without urging. Can you use a rig today?

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Wilmington, N. C.

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YOU want Santa Claus to stop here at this store on his way to your chimney and Christmas tree; there are more things here that men and big boys want for Christmas than in any other store in town,

Some day soon you'd better come in and pick out the things you'd like to have him deliver; we'll mark them for him and guarantee to get them there at the right moment.

Here are a few things that Santa Claus will be glad to carry for you: Hart Schaffner & Marx suits and overcoats; best Christmas gift possible; finest made. Gloves, Neckwear, Smoking Jackets, Lounging and Bath Robes, Umbrellas, Handkerchiefs, Initials and Plain; Sweaters, Pajamas, Suit Cases, Hand Bags, Mufflers, and many other Appropriate Gifts.

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MONUMENTS!
And all kinds of Cemetery work.
—PHONE 1974-J—
Out of Town Orders receive Prompt attention.
TUCKER'S
519 N. SECOND STREET.
Between Red Cross St. and A. C. L. Railroad.

The Remembrance Of These XMAS GIFTS Will Linger Long Afterwards

Boker Pocket Knives (In individual cases).
Stag Carving Sets
Silver Carving Sets
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Pearl Carving Sets (In lovely satin lined cases) $2.50 to $12.50 Set
Manicure Sets (Beautiful ones) $2.50 to $10.00 (Regular Factory Cost values).
Scissor Sets, (Boker Brand) $2.00 to $4.00 (Fine values).
Gillette Razors, (Nickel, silver and gold plated), $5.00 and Upward
Bird Scissors, 50 and 75c (In Christmas boxes).
Silver Plated Tea and Table Spoons,
Table Knives
"Majestic" Ranges.
Tools for Boys
Roller Skates (Best ball bearings), nickel plated) Priced to $2.00
Watches, gilt and silvered (Warranted and kept repair one year.) $1.00
Air Rifles, (Get one for the boy. Shoots shot).
Prices: .25, .75, $1, $1.25, $2
Hamilton Rifles, .22 cal., Price: $1.50, $1.75
Remington Rifles, Single shot. . . $3.00 15-shot $9.50, $12.50
Marlin Rifles, repeaters, $8.50 to $12.50
Savage Rifles, $4.00 to $12.00
Our Special Double Hammerless Gun, (Quality warranted) $15.00
Blank Cartridges.
Aluminum Kettles and Cooking Utensils.
Cake Chests, (Something new.) Price: $2.50
Universal Aluminum Coffee Machines and Percolators, $2.50 to $11.75
Special Loaded Shells, For Prize Shooting

"It's a Pleasure for Us to Show Them to You."

N. Jacobi Hardware Co.
10 & 12 SO. FRONT STREET

While in the city purchasing your stock of Christmas Goods, call on us for your Hardware, such as Guns, Cutlery and Ammunition.

J. W. Murchison & Co.
WHOLESALE HARDWARE.
WILMINGTON, N. C.

THE ATLANTIC INN
Convenient to the Traveling Public.
LARGE ROOMS & GOOD RESTAURANT SERVICE
Opposite Union Depot — Gieschen Bros. Props.

DO IT NOW! WHAT?

Your Christmas Shopping.

Our line is open and at your service. Make your selections before the rush begins.

All goods to be engraved should be bought early. We will put them aside for you.

Suggestions for Engraved Presents: Fobs, Cuff Links, Lockets, Bracelets, Rings, Bar Pins, Comb and Brush Sets, Umbrellas.

Many other Choice Gifts.

F. A. BISSINGER, Jeweler.
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STATEMENT CONDITION

The Murchison National Bank
OF WILMINGTON, N. C.,
At the Close of Business November 26th, 1912.

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	$4,326,202.83
U. S. Bonks (at par)	551,000.00
Bank Building	73,000.00
Bonds and Other Securities	147,717.50
Cash and Due by Banks	1,459,710.18
	$6,557,630.51

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	$ 825,000.00
Surplus and Net Profits	527,843.13
Circulation	550,000.00
Special Deposit, U. S. Bonds	100,000.00
Deposits	4,554,787.38
	$6,557,630.51

DEPOSITS:

November 26th, 1908	$2,971,810.82
November 26th, 1910	4,144,900.07
November 26th, 1912	4,554,787.38

H. C. McQUEEN . . . President
J. V. GRAINGER . . Vice-President
J. W. YATES. . . . Vice-President
C. S. GRAINGER . . . . Cashier

THE IRON MEN

We, the dealers in all kinds of Iron, Steel and Machinery, desire to extend to our friends and customers a Merry Xmas and Prospeerous New Year.

We are enlarging our plant, carrying a larger stock than ever, and we are better prepared to serve you for the year of 1913.

Deal direct with us. We lead.

WILMINGTON IRON WORKS
Orange and Water Streets.

ARTIFICIAL TEETH.

Whether it is a plate, a crown or a bridge, to be comfortable, serviceable and natural looking, it must be

MADE CORRECTLY.

My reputation for six years of successful practice in the same place must mean something to you—it means that you get

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The cleanest office in the Carolinas. Graduate nurse in attendance.

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WILLIAMS' INDIAN PILE OINTMENT
Will cure Blind, Bleeding and Itching Piles. It absorbs the tumors, allays itching at once, acts as a poultice, gives instant relief.
For sale by all druggists, mail 50c and $1.00.
WILLIAMS MFG. CO., Props., Cleveland, Ohio
For Sale by J. H. Bunting Drug Co.

With Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, We Make This

Consolidation Announcement

Card of Thanks

I take this method of thanking my many friends and patrons for their generous support during this Christmas season, and more especially for their support since I first started business in Wilmington. Though successful in my present business, I have felt for some time that Wilmington would support a business on a larger scale, and more in keeping with the modern idea of doing business. With this idea in view, I feel myself fortunate in inducing the gentlemen composing the firm of Platt & Haar to join hands with me in an effort to give to Wilmington the kind of store to which she is entitled. For the new organization I ask a continuance of the valued patronage in a measure to correspond with the greater volume of business which must be the result of the increased facilities for serving you.

GEO. O. GAYLORD.

SOMETIME before the poets and the birds proclaim the fact that "Spring is Here", it is the intention of the undersigned to form a corporation for the purpose of operating a general Department Store, and transacting such other business as they may decide upon. The name of the organization will be

Gaylord-Platt-Haar Company

It is the intention of the undersigned to give to Wilmington an opportunity to inspect lines of merchandise the equal of any to be found in the State of North Carolina. Further and full information will be given from time to time through the newspapers and other forms of advertising.

GEO. O. GAYLORD
ROBT. C. PLATT
G. HENRY HAAR

Card of Thanks

We desire to thank our friends and patrons for their generous patronage during this Christmas season, having rounded out our banner month for the almost ten years since we first called on Wilmington's buying public for support. You have helped us generously from the time The Little Store threw open its doors, enabling us in no small way to demonstrate what a small capital, the confidence of the public and a lot of energy and determination could do. Realizing, however, that even our up-to-date Little Store does not fill the want of the buying public of Wilmington, it is with pleasure we announce the acceptance of a proposition from one of our most successful merchants to join him in an effort to give Wilmington a chance to spend her money at home. In this new venture we ask your hearty support.

PLATT & HAAR.

Consolidation Sale!

In order to bring about the above consolidation, and with an idea of opening the business of Gaylord-Platt-Haar Company with a practically new stock, the two firms will, beginning

Thursday, January 2nd, 1913

put in operation sales at both stores. Nothing will be held in reserve. This will mean that just about

($100,000)

One hundred thousand dollars' worth of Dry Goods and kindred lines will be offered the public at prices far below the regular retail prices. These sales will not be conducted in any sensational manner—just a clean, up-to-date sale with the one idea in view of giving everybody a chance to get just what they want at the lowest price possible. The beginning date of sale we know; the ending date we cannot tell. In the meantime prior to January 2nd. while the stores will not be arranged for the sale, the lowest kind of prices will prevail. January, 1913, will bring many sales to light. This Consolidation Sale will be the one with a reason—a foundation. There will be not a tinge of the fake about it. With a past reputation at stake and a future reputation to make, we cannot afford to offer you anything short of a Square Deal.

GEO. O. GAYLORD PLATT & HAAR

THE MORNING STAR

WILMINGTON STAR COMPANY, INC., Wilmington, N. C.

Entered as second-class matter at the postoffice at Wilmington, N. C., under Act of Congress, March 2nd, 1874.

FULL ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORT.

PUBLISHERS' ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MORNING STAR, the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily except Monday, at $6 per year, $3 for six months, $1.50 for three months, 50 cents for one month, served by carrier in the city, or by mail.

THE SUNDAY STAR, by mail, one year, $1; six months, 50 cents; three months, 25 cents.

ADVERTISING RATES may be had on application, and advertisers may feel assured that through the columns of this paper they may reach all Wilmington, Eastern Carolina and contiguous territory in South Carolina.

Obituary sketches, cards of thanks, communications espousing the cause of a private enterprise or a political candidate, and like matter, will be charged at the rate of 10 cents per line, or if paid cash in advance, a half rate will be allowed. Announcements of fairs, festivals, balls, hops, picnics, society meetings, political meetings, etc., will be charged under same conditions, except so much thereof as may be of news value to readers of the paper.

Advertisements discontinued before expiration of contracts are charged transient rates for time actually published. Payment for transient advertisements must be cash in advance. Contract advertisers will not be allowed to exceed their space at same rates, or advertise anything foreign to their regular business, without extra charge. Advertisements to occupy special place will be charged for according to position desired.

TELEPHONES: Business Office, No. 51; Editorial and Local rooms, No. 61. Call either, if the other doesn't answer.

COMMUNICATIONS, unless they contain important news, or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted; and if acceptable in every other way, they will invariably be rejected unless the real name of the author accompanies the same, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

Wednesday, December 25, 1012.

Do your New Year's resoluting early.

The Star wishes everyone a joyous Christmas.

Some men hold on to everything they get and others get everything they get a hold on.

Including Wilmington, 93 cities in the United States have automobile fire fighting machines.

Those who own eastern North Carolina ought to advertise it unless they want to keep it.

Human life is about the cheapest thing during the Christmas holidays in the United States.

Eastern North Carolina is full of big opportunities because her resources are yet in the virgin State.

"Every dog has his day," but be sure that R. E. Morse does not have his during this enjoyable holiday season.

Even if grand opera were translated into English what would be the good of singing it so nobody can understand a word that's said?

North Carolina will have all sorts of luck in 1913, if particular attention is paid to education, good roads and diversified agriculture.

The "inter-locking directorate" may not mean a Money Trust, but most everybody is convinced that it is equal ot a half-Nelson on a cinch.

It is complained that women in the equal suffrage States are dodging jury duty. In that respect, men have no advantage over the suffragettes.

"It is more blessed to give than receive" a Christmas present and then be disappointed because it is something that won't match some other present.

Some people really enjoy Christmas but others just celebrate it as if it calls for the kind of beldam that would get on the nerve of even the Bull Moose.

Thousands of people have come South this Winter to farm during the coming season. The South is as rich in agricultural opportunities as she is in industrial advantages.

After the 4th of next March, President Taft will have a chair in the faculty of Yale. If Colonel Roosevelt should climb up in Professor Taft's chair, which one of them would have a fit?

An Ohio man has had pig skin successfully grafted on his body. Rather than say he is liable to become a squealer, it will do him more credit to say that he can better root for the home team the coming season.

The Wilmington Star says so many people are coming in from the North, East, South and West, that the supply of houses is getting scarce. Come to Greensboro and we will build a house for you.—Greensboro Record.

Now that Wilson and Bryan have met Republicans will be disappointed that they heard neither one yelling for help from the outside. All signs of Democratic harmony are signals of great distress to the Republican organs of the country.

Selecting the Brooklyn waterfront, New York city is determined to have a municipal dock system ample for all comers and adequate to the biggest vessels, even if the cost reaches $150,000,000. Meantime most Southern port cities slumber on some of their best opportunities, with their sea fronts almost entirely in railroad hands.—Charlotte Observer.

CHRISTMAS FOR THE WARING NATIONS.

This beautiful Christmas Day reminds us that it is the birthday of the Prince of Peace. It is Christmas for the people in all Christian lands, and may it be so for the waring nations of the world. It is significant that at this Christmas season, 1912 years since the birth of Christ, the representatives of the European nations are in London to bring about peace between Turkey and the Balkan allies and possibly to avert impending war between all the nations, and to get at a settlement that will relieve Europe of the constant menace that hangs over the nations because of the jeolousies of created by the situation in Turkey and the other Balkan countries.

Christmas offers to the world an opportunity to catch the spirit of Him who preached "peace on earth and good will toward men." After 19 centuries, it seems an age for that doctrine to take hold of men and nations, yet today the abhorrence of war is greater than it has been for a thousand years or more. We are still discussing "world peace" at this late day, after wars of the most bloody character within the present and past few years. However, it seems that world peace is more likely to be promoted by those who are expected to do the fighting than by the most militant of all the advocates of peace. Men are refusing to become "bullet meat" at the behest of European governments and because of the acts of aggression, avarice and policies of governments in which they have little interest except as subpects. From time to time Europe has been deluged with wars, and the time was when a boy was born to a peasant his birth gave pleasure to the sovereign because if he grew up it would be one more man for the army in case of need. Thus it got to be a common saying that young men old enough for army service were "bullet meat."

The peace movement has made progress when men refuse to become bullet meat. Civilization has advanced to the point that men are more valuable as units in the great industrial and social system than as units in the armies of any country, especially of a despotism or a monarchy. War may be justifiable when great principles are involved or humanity is concerned, but the men who are expected to offer themselves as sacrifices in battle are beginning to discriminate about the kind of wars that can enlist their interest and service.

Any prospect of a general war in Europe is meeting with the protest of the men who are expected to do the blody work. The Austrians have held great demonstrations against the mobilization of Austria's army during the Balkan crisis and it is quite evident that Austria's intentions to fight has no sympathy from the people. A few days ago, the workingmen throughout France laid down their tools and the wheels of industry were at a standstill. For the space of 24 hours the workers and toilers were idle and the ordinary course of business was seriously interrupted. Earning and production ceased. The men were on a strike against war. They struck for peace.

The slogan of the French workingmen during their demonstration was "War against war", and their object was a protest against militarism. They are not only burdened with taxes to support great navies and standing armies, but they are expected to abandon the support of their families and risk their lives and limbs in battles for the purpose of upholding some ambitious scheme of so-called statesmen or for the purpose of conquests in causes that are the result of unreasonable aggressive policies. Whatever result the demonstration of the Frenchmen may have, it is certain that the suspension of work for a day meant a loss of many thousands of dollars to them in wages and a great loss in the productive wealth of the Nation. How much more severe would be the suspension of work and wages and production for an indefinite period of costly and disastrous war?

Perhaps the demonstrations of the Austrian and French workingmen, who would be pitted against each other in deadly strife, may not have any effect in checking militarism, but their protest against war is both impressive and significant. The protest of those who are compelled to stand the brunt of war has caused all the world to take notice of it. The workingmen regard their anti-war strike as a success. It showed that the popular idea of war is abhorrent, and that sentiment against war is strong and growing among those who are expected to carry guns and fill the graves of soldiers. The protest must be regarded with satisfaction, for it indicates a united dissent and unrest among those who are used to slaughter other men and be slaughtered themselves by men no more concerned in the carnage than they are.

When statesmen and nations begin to realize the horrors and burdens of war, as the victims seem to be doing, the chances of peace for the human race will grow. The spirit of the brotherhood of man will grow, and the world will fully realize what Christ meant in his benediction to all mankind: "Peace be unto all men."

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Baking Powder
Absolutely Pure
The only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar
Read the Label
Alum Baking Powder will not make healthful food

SOUTHERN FACTORY PRODUCTS

The Star already has urged our ports and manufacturing centers to organize commission and exporting companies to make the most of the South's opportunities for commerce, and unless there are such companies or individuals of large means to engage in the export and import business, the commerce of our ports must necessarily grow slowly, even if the Panama canal offers them the finest kinds of opportunities for doing business. The fact is, unless we have exporters and importers to handle Southern products through the South's ports, Southern products will continue to find their way into other ports and build up their commerce.

That is precisely what is being done today. We have several times alluded to the fact that the cotton mills of the piedmont turn out products to the value of $500,000,000 every year, but what share has Wilmington in their handling by water, either foreign or coastwise? However, there are other ports which are handling Southern mill products and it constitutes their largest business. That is because our mill products are largely sold through heavily capitalized commission and export houses in the North, many such companies handling the entire product of whole groups of mills.

The question arises: Does the South get the full benefit of her great manufacturing industry, consuming more than half the cotton spun in American mills? While our mills turn out the goods, the selling is handled at the North, whereas, the South should have selling companies as well as manufacturing industries. While one group of men are manufacturing another group could do the selling. That is precisely what is meant by the Charlotte Observer when it says:

"Charlotte is the center of a great textile manufacturing district. We know more about manufacturing ordinary kinds of plain white cotton goods in this section than people do anywhere else, perhaps, in the United States; but we are certainly not experts in the selling department. We rely too much on commission merchants in Philadelphia and New York. These people have been our friends in need, and have furnished money every time our mills have sorely needed it. They are still useful members of the community, but Charlotte ought to develop some selling facilities of her own, with a view to keeping at home some of the profits which must inevitably go to middlemen somewhere. The middleman is what might be called a necessary evil, still very necessary in all branches of business. He is the equalizer or reserver between the producer and the fickle consumer. We should have such a reservoir in Charlotte. There are many accessories naturally appertaining to the commission business. First of all come the selling experience and ability; second, the banking facilities; third, suitable warehouses. There is no question whatever but that Charlotte merchants would be equal to any demands which might be made upon their commercial talents. Also there is no trouble about wide and adequate banking facilities for the city of Charlotte at this time. Our banks have on hand all the time over two million dollars, and they have gross assets of fourteen or fifteen millions. They are as enterprising as any in the world, willing and anxious to extend their business in all directions which are known to be safe and sound. Already they recognize raw cotton in a bonded warehouse as the best of all security, and they are ready to lend money to the limit on such collateral. What Charlotte needs now to develop this particular business is at least one commodious and well-kept storage warehouse for manufactured products."

That is a timely suggestion on the part of the Observer, and it ought to be acted upon. North Carolina ought to be able to sell her manufactures as well as produce them, and she ought to be able to send them through her own port through just such selling and handling companies as the Observer alludes to. The companies need not be located where the goods are made, but at the leading financial centers of the State.

ENTERPRISING EXCHANGES.

The Star desires to congratulate several of its State exchanges upon their enterprise in publishing handsome Christmas editions. As is always the custom with him, Editor Harker, of the Maxton Scottish Chief, provided his patrons with an issue of exceptional beauty and merit. The Bladen Journal, Clarkton, also came to the front with an edition which showed enterprise and skill. It was a neat and pretty paper, and the work upon it did the management credit. Editor Motte, of the Pender Chronicle, treated his large clientele to a paper of great attractiveness and extensiveness, and its pages bore evidence of the enterprise of Wilmington advertisers. Many of them carried whole pages, and they certainly got a good introduction to the numerous good people of Pender and Duplin.

Our esteemed contemporaries were all appropriately illustrated. The pictures and color printing were of a superior class, and the people where they are printed certainly have reason to appreciate the enterprise that involves so much effort and work on the part of the editors.

Four Great Pictures

Christmas at The Grand will be the best yet. Be sure to join the crowds there today and tonight.

(Advertisement.)

Only Two More Days and Then CHRISTMAS!

Cowboy Suits . . . . . 98c and $1.25
Indian Suits . . . . . $1.00 and $1.50
Baseball Suits . . . . . 98c and $1.50
Footballs $1.50
Gilt Clocks . . . . . $1.50 to $5.98
Cut Glass (Tumblers), Water Glasses (set of 6) 75c
Gilt Jewel Box, silk lined, ... 25c, 39c, 50c, 98c
Christmas Post Cards, Seals, Tags and Stickers.
Fancy Crockery in big variety; Chocolate Sets, Celery Sets, Salad Sets, Tea Sets, and many Novelties in Chinaware.
Kid Gloves make splendid Christmas Gifts, and you need not worry or hesitate in giving a pair of Rehder's Gloves. Every pair Guaranteed, at $1.00.
Christmas Box Papers, fancy boxes, fine paper, big assortment, at 50c.
Dolls, dressed and undressed, the greatest Doll values in this city, 25c to $6.50.
Baby Carriages, Wagons, Irish Mails, Horses, Guns, Drums, Velocipedes and many other large toys. Pianos.
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Ladies' Lace Collar Sets, Hand Bags and Pocket Books
Fancy Drawn Work, Linen Pieces; great variety.
Shoes, Hats, Clothing, Overcoats, Stylish Coat Suits, at Big Reductions.
While Down Town, Don't Forget to See Our Toy Department, Front and Princess, for Fireworks and Toys.

CHRISTMAS RIBBON. J. H. Rehder & Co. CHRISTMAS FURS.
THE POPULAR DEPARTMENT STORE
The FIRM THAT PAYS YOUR CARFARE

FUNERAL OF MRS. MERCER.

Services Yesterday Morning From Residence in Carolina Heights.

Many friends of the deceased and of the family gathered at 11 o'clock yesterday morning at the residence of Mr. W. D. McCaig, in Carolina Heights, to pay a last sad mark of respect to the memory of the late Mrs. Anna Jane Mercer, whose death occurred Monday morning. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. John C. Wooten, the retiring pastor, and Rev. J. D. Bundy, the present pastor, of Grace M. E. Church, and they were very pretty and impressive. The floral tributes were many and very pretty.

The interment was in Oakdale cemetery, the pall-bearers having been Major D. R. Johnson, of Winnabow; C. Ed Taylor, Esq., of Southport; Mr. Ed Taylor, of Winnabow; Mr. J. Mercer Taylor, Mr. W. D. McCaig and Mr. Chas. L. Dickinson.

There will be a general shifting of judges over the judicial districts of the State the first of the new year. Judge Carter has cleaned out the blind tigers at Wilmington, and Judges Daniels and Webb have made a good start towards abating the social evil in Charlotte. May it be that the new judges in each of these districts think as their immediate predecessors do along these respective lines.—Charlotte Chronicle.

Foils a Foul Plot.

When a shameful plot exists between liver and bowels to cause distress by refusing to act, take Dr. King's New Life Pills, and end such abuse of your system. They gently compel right action of stomach, liver and bowels, and restore your health and all good feelings. 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

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For the Wife:
Hand Bags, Purses,
Furs, Muffs,
Scarfs, Center-pieces,
Art Squares, Rugs,
Hosiery and Handkerchiefs
A. D. BROWN

Merry Christmas, Indeed

is in the home illuminated with light from such beautiful and convenient fixtures as are to be had here. The beautiful soft light they give, the atmosphere of brightness and cheerfulness are well worth much more than such fixtures cost here. Just come and see them. That's all. A full line of nice portables, pocket lights, toy motors and electric engines, electric irons, and stoves, all the above articles mentioned make useful Christmas presents. Store will be open to 10 o'clock through the holidays.

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Do Your Xmas Shopping Early

Before the Best things are All Sold.

A FEW SUGGESTIONS:

Brass and Leather Goods, Cut Glass, Pictures and Frames, Juvenile Books, Gift Books, Fountain Pens, Christmas and New Year Cards, Kodaks, Book Cases, Desks.

C. W. Yates & Co.
MARKET STREET.

A Merry Christmas

With hearty greetings for all, we wish each and every one a Bright and Happy Christmas.

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PERFECT FUEL FOR ALL GASOLINE ENGINES
MORE POWER
MORE RUNNING HOURS
FOR LESS MONEY
DROP US A CARD
If you operate a Gasoline Engine and we will show you how to Save Money on your Fuel bill.
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Kerosene, Gasoline and Lubricating Oils.

The French Millinery Parlors

New Arrivals in Exclusive Millinery and Corsage Bouquets. Also a line of beautiful Neckwear and Holiday Handkerchiefs. Hosiery. C.-B. and Regaliste Corsets. Japanese Ware in many choice novelties for Christmas Holidays.

110 NORTH FRONT STREET.

Christmas Goods

All the Latest Novels and Illustrated Books. Fancy Box Paper. Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pens. Brass Novelties. Leather Goods. Xmas Cards and Calendars.

ROBERT C. DeROSSET
'PHONE: 26. 32 N. FRONT STREET.

SHEPARD & GOULD WEDDING

Marriage of Woman Who Has $30,000,000 at Her Disposal Is of More Than Ordinary Interest In Wilmington

It will be of news to a great many people to know that Wilmington will have more than ordinary interest in the wedding next month of Miss Helen Miller Gould, of New York, and Mr. Finley J. Shepard, a prominent railroad man of St. Louis, announcement of whose engagement appeared in the papers of the country a week or two ago. Mr. Shepard's mother was a Wilmingtonian and she married her husband in St. James' Episcopal church in this city.

Mrs. Shephard, who was before her marriage Miss Mary Ann Burr, daughter of the late and lamented Mr. Horace Burr, is still living, her home being at Clinton, Conn. Her venerable husband, who was a leading Episcopal minister of Connecticut, died only a short time ago. He was about 83 years old when he died. Mrs. Shepard and her sister, Miss Julia Burr, live together. Miss Burr returns to Wilmington quite frequently and is well-known here. So far as could be learned yesterday Mrs. Shepard has not visited Wilmington in recent years.

Miss Mary Ann Burr was an attractive and accomplished young woman and had an especial talent for music. She was for some time the organist at St. James' church and held this unsalaried office in the church until a short time before her marriage. A representative of The Star looked up the record in the Register of Deeds office yesterday afternoon. He found the license that was issued for the marriage of Rev. Peter Shepard and Miss Mary Ann Burr. It was issued on June 25th, 1855, by Mr. Samuel R. Bunting, who was Clerk of Court of New Hanover county, and according to the certificate on the back of the document the marriage was celebrated on June 26th, 1855, Rev. Dr. R. B. Drane, rector of St. James' Episcopal church, officiating.

Several persons yesterday recalled the marriage of Rev. and Mrs. Shepard and talked quite interestingly of Mrs. Shepard. Some of those talked to knew Mrs. Shepard when she was a young lady while others recalled quite vividly having heard their mothers and grandmothers speak of her. Mrs. Burr conducted a millinery establishment here for a while and Mr. Burr was connected with a dry goods store for a number of years. The family lived near Front and Dock streets. Mr. and Mrs. Burr died several years ago. Miss Julia Burr, after the death of her parents, went North to make her home with her sister, Mrs. Shepard, and has lived with her ever since. She never has forgotten the home of her girlhood days and, as stated, she returns here every few years and is always most cordially greeted by many friends.

Some of those with whom The Star representative talked stated that they thought Mr. Finley J. Shepard was born in Wilmington, but others were under the impression that he was not born here.

Upon the death of her father, Jay Gould, in 1892, Helen Gould, then 24 years old, inherited a fortune of about $10,000,000. It has been estimated that by investment she has trebled this fortune, and at the same time devoted fully half of her time to benefactions which brought her into world prominence.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Several Deeds Filed for Record at the Court House Yesterday

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows:

G. A. P. Bowman and wife to Wm. Calder, for $10 and other considerations, lots 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 in block 6 of "South Wilmington Heights," which is the name given a tract of land recently purchased by Mr. Bowman and wife from Mr. William Gregerson for the purpose of developing it.

S. R. Coley and wife to H. F. Wilder and John VanB. Metts, for $100 and other considerations, lot on south side of Woolcott avenue, 297 feet west of 20th street, 66x113 feet in size.

Manhattan Company to Maria Jones, for $100 and other considerations, lot on east side of Newbern avenue, 450 feet south of Market street road, 100x150 feet in size.

C. D. Weeks and wife to R. G. Grady, for $100 and other considerations, lot on southwest corner of Second and Harnett streets, 66x122 feet in size.

Louis J. Poisson, et al., to Manie A. Empie, for $100 and other considerations, lot on north side of Castle street, 82 1-2 feet west of Fourth, 61.3x66 feet in size.

Walter G. MacRae to G. H. Hutaff, for $500 and other considerations, four lots on east side of Dickinson street, 66 feet north of Hall street, same being lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 of block 313.

MR. D. J. WATKINS DEAD

Passed Away Yesterday Morning at The Hospital—Funeral

After an illness of ten days or two weeks, Mr. D. J. Watkins, a well-known citizen of East Wilmington, passed away at the James Walker Memorial Hospital at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Watkins was 42 years old and leaves a wife and eight children. Surviving also are six brothers and four sisters, these being Messrs. A. B., M. W., C. W., L. V., O. A. and John H. Watkins; Mrs. Sarah Millis, Mrs. Martha Tucker, Mrs. Fannie Brown, Mrs. Nannie Borneman, all of Wilmington. The funeral and interment will take place at 12 o'clock today at Anderson graveyard, near Rocky Point.

Wedding Tomorrow

Mr. R. G. Sellers left yesterday morning for Smyrna, N. C., where tomorrow he and Miss Ruby Lee Williams, of that place, will be married. The bride and groom will leave during the day for Rocky Mount, where they will be entertained by the groom's sister, Mrs. C. R. McGowan. They will be at home in this city after December 30th.

—C. Ed Taylor, Esq., of Southport, spent yesterday in the city.

MODERN DEPARTMENT STORE

Messrs. Gaylord, Platt & Haar Combine Their Large Interests in Wilmington—Corporation With $100,000 Capital.

Coming in the form of a Christmas gift to Wilmington is the announcement of the consolidation of two of the city's best known department stores, that of Mr. Geo. O. Gaylord and of Messrs. Platt & Haar, effective early next Spring. It is the intention of Messrs. Gaylord, Platt and Haar to combine the two stores into one of the most modern and up-to-date department stores in the South.

This important step has been under consideration for some time, there being several reasons contributing to the apparent advantages of such a consolidation. One is that Platt & Haar have outgrown their present quarters and their expanding business is very much in need of more room to grow. The other reason is that Mr. Gaylord's business has grown to such a volume that it is more than he can look after personally with his numerous other interests and he feels the need of associating with himself men of proven capability. The style of the new firm will be Gaylord, Platt, Haar Company.

The consolidated business will be located in the store now occupied by Mr. Gaylord, No. 208 North Front street, but for a time it may be necessary to use both while perfecting the consolidation and remodeling the Gaylord store to meet the needs of the new business.

Mr. Gaylord and Messrs. Platt and Haar feel that Wilmington has reached the point where it needs a modern department store in every sense of the word, and with their wide experience in the successful conduct of their business they are equipped to give the city such a store. After the holidays the stocks of both stores will be reduced to a minimum, it being the idea to begin the business of the new store with as little of the old stocks as possible.

The result of the consolidation will be a corporation, to be formed under the laws of this State. The incorporators will be Geo. O. Gaylord, Robert C. Platt and G. Henry Haar, and the amount of capital stock will probably be $100,000. The combined volume of business as done by the two stores now has reached $250,000 a year.

Mr. Gaylord started in business 24 years ago, and his success is known to all the citizens of Wilmington and for miles around. His business has steadily expanded and in addition to the large city trade which he supplies his wholesale department furnishes goods to a large portion of the trade in the surrounding sections.

Messrs. Platt & Haar began business a little les than 10 years ago, assuming the modest title of "The Little Store," though not at their present site. They both received their schooling under that master of dry goods business, Mr. C. W. Polvogt, being employed by him at the same time, Mr. Platt in the mercantile end of the business and Mr. Haar in the office. They attribute what success they have made to this foundation.

They began business at 114 Market street, removing to their present site when it was vacated by the C. W. Polvogt Co. The business has grown steadily, and all that has kept it from being a complete department store was the lack of space. They have the reputation of carrying one of the nicest stocks of any similar business in the State, and many traveling men making the Southern territory have complimented them highly on their methods of stock selection, advertising, etc.

The arrangement of the departments of the new store will be made to best suit their respective requirements, and especially with a view of pleasing the modern ideas of the public. The departments to be located on the first floor will be manager by Mr. Robt. C. Platt, while Mr. G. Henry Haar will see that patrons of the second floor receive the best of attention at the same time supervising the office and advertising. Mr. Gaylord will devote most of his time to the wholesale end of the business.

Backed by the capital, experience and ability of three such singularly successful business men as Messrs. Gaylord, Platt and Haar, the new business will undoubtedly be an institution that Wilmington may well be proud of, and will without a doubt be marked by the same success that has characterized the separate business heretofore. If viewed merely from a mathematical standpoint, the addition of one success to another the total can be nothing short of success.

FUNERAL OF MR. HEWLETT.

Body Will Reach Wilmington From Memphis, Tenn., on Thursday.

A telegram yesterday to members of the family in this city announced that the body of the late Mr. Robert A. Hewlett whose sad death occurred in Memphis, Tenn., Monday morning, would leave that city last evening and will reach Wilmington probably on Thursday at 12:15 P. M. The body will be accompanied by the bereaved wife and Mr. J. Henry Hewlett, of this city, a brother, will meet the funeral party at Hamlet, N. C. While the arrangements have not yet been definitely made, it is likely that the funeral will be conducted some time Friday morning and the interment will be in the Hewlett family burying ground on Masonboro Sound.

Drives Off a Terror.

The chief executioner of death in the Winter and Spring months is penumonia. Its advance agents are colds and grip. In any attack by one of these maladies no time should be lost in taking the best medicine obtainable to drive it off. Countless thousands have found this to be Dr. King's New Discovery. "My husband believes it has kept him from having pneumonia three or four times," writes Mrs. George W. Place, Rawsonville, Vt., "and for coughs, colds and croup we have never found its equal." Guaranteed for all bronchial affections. Price 50 cts. and $1.00. Trial bottle free at R. R. Bellamy.

(Advertisement.)

USUAL OBSERVANCE HERE

Christmas Day Will Be Generally But Quietly Celebrated In Wilmington—Merry-makers on Streets Last Night

Christmas Day will be observed in Wilmington in the usual way. Business will be practically suspended and the people will spend the day as best suits the individual tastes and desires. The banks and public offices and practically all the stores will be closed. With the exception of the tired and overworked postoffice clerks and clerks and other helpers in the express office and a few other places, nearly everybody will enjoy today as a holiday. Some will use it as a day for much needed rest, others for recreation, still others will take this opportunity of visiting relatives or friends in nearby places, while not a few will doubtless be found in the woods with their gun and dogs.

In the Episcopal, Lutheran and Catholic churches of the city the usual Christmas Day services will be held. These will no doubt be largely attended. Later in the week the children's Christmas exercises will be held. At St. John's Episcopal church the children's exercises will be held Friday night beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The exercises at the First Baptist church will be held Thursday night, under the auspices of the Sunday School. A special Christmas programme will be rendered. Each class will bring some gift for the orphan's home. Other churches will announce their exercises during the week.

Services at St. John's Episcopal church will be held today as follows: Holy Communion at 7:30 A. M.; Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and sermon at 11 A. M. The children's Christmas exercises will be held Friday night at 7:30 o'clock at the Parish House.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, at Market and Sixth streets, will observe Christmas with a special service at 11 A. M. An augmented choir will render special music and the pastor will preach on "God's Christmas Gift to Mankind." At 5 P. M., the Christmas exercises of the Sunday School will be held. A special programme will be rendered by the children and a large Christmas tree will be featured. The public is cordially invited to these services.

Yesterday was a busy day for the merchants. Monday was such a disagreeable day that but few shoppers ventured in the downtown district, therefore the eleventh hour sales were larger yesterday than would otherwise have been. From early in the morning the streets and stores were well crowded with shoppers, especially late in the afternoon and early evening. Several merchants were heard to express themselves as being thoroughly satisfied with the Christmas business, which was probably the largest in years.

So far as the explosion of firecrackers and the jingle of the cow bells are concerned, it was comparatively quiet in the downtown district throughout the day. But as the evening approached the noise began to increase and by nightfall the usual number of Christmas eve merry-makers were on the streets. From that time until midnight the noise was incessant. Firecrackers, cow bells, horns and everything else capable of making a good-sized noise were brought into service. So far as learned there were no accidents during the evening.

Remarkably good order prevailed throughout the city during the day and evening. At 10 o'clock it was stated at the City Hall that only two arrests for drunkenness had been made during the evening. This number was expected to be increased later in the night, but the officers said they were quite certain that the number would fall short of the number of arrests made the last Christmas eve. There was nothing like the drinking in the city last night, so far as outward appearances went, that has marked all previous Christmas eves in this city. This is due partly to the fact that the prohibition law is more rigidly enforced now than at any time since the law went into effect. Considerable whiskey has been received here for the Christmas season, but not anything like the amount which was brought here last Christmas. The police have been quite busy during the past few days in an effort to run down some of the "blind tigers" now in operation here. Several places have been searched, including the places of some of the nolo contendere defendants. No objection was made by the proprietor except in one place. The police did not search the premises, but notified the owner his refusal would be used against him at the January term of court. He was willing for his place to be searched the next day, but the police declined the offer. Last night a second search of the place of a nolo contendere defendant was made, the first search being on Monday. It was not learned whether the officers found any whiskey or beer, but it was said that the proprietor became quite angry and protested that the officers should leave him alone.

As usual the various charitable organizations have made special efforts to make the Christmas of the poor families of the city as happy as possible. Baskets, well filled with provisions, will be sent out this morning by the Wilmington Lodge of Elks and by the Salvation Army and probably other organizations, while there will be any number of indivdual gifts to the poor of the city. The Elks will send out 144 baskets—baskets filled to the overflowing with provisions. This is about 20 more baskets than were sent out by the lodge last Christmas. The baskets contain flour, bread, lard, sugar, coffee, hominy, meal, ham, can of tomatoes, can of beans, oranges and apples, in sufficient quantity to last the average family several meals. They are ready to be delivered early this morning, having been prepared yesterday afternoon by the charity committee and several other members of the lodge at the warehouse of Swift & Co. The baskets will be delivered this morning either by automobile or by wagons of Swift & Co., in charge of Mr. C. F. Nurnberger, who is shipping clerk for the

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BEAR'S MAMMOTH NEW WINERY

Handsome Brick Structure Erected In South Wilmington—Building Is Now Open for Inspection Of Public

Wilmington people and visitors in the city will have the opportunity from today to New Years, to visit and inspect one of the city's greatest industries, heretofore surprisingly extensive but now so large as to astonish all who contemplate its proportions. Allusion is made to the mammoth new winery of Messrs. Sol Bear & Company, at the northeast corner of Front and Marsteller streets. This great local industry, operated by enterprising Wilmington young men and utilizing a home product of rich possibilities, is located on the Atlantic Coast Line's belt railroad, and those who visit the factory will have a fine opportunity to observe the tremendous advantages which this city offers to manufacturers in water and rail terminals so linked as to make the matter of transportation ideal.

The new Bear winery is a handsome brick structure, re-enforced with steel and concrete, and from cellar to roof the large building is absolutely fireproof. The floors, ceiling and roof are concrete, and the window frames, doors, stairways, elevators, and interior construction are iron or concrete. Its size can be imagined when it is stated that the building, three stories in height, fronts 200 feet along South Front street, and runs east seventy-five feet on Masteller street. Along the entire east side is a concrete platform alongside of which runs a railroad siding where both economy and convenience are involved in the loading and unloading of cars. This facility of transportation can be appreciated when it is known that the winery handles carloads of scuppernong grapes and blackberries, and ships its superior wine products by the carload from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

The extent of this peculiarly local industry, now famous throughout the United States, may be conceived when it is stated that this season the winery consumed a half million bushels of the native scuppernong and 200,000 bushels of blackberries in the manufacture of the many grades of delicious wines now so popular and growing in favor both in this country and Europe. The especially wide demand for Bear's famous scuppernong wine is explained when it is known that it is not only a native of tidal Carolina, but its successful cultivation is confined exclusively to the loamy soil of the tidal region south of the North Carolina line and confined to a practically limited area, extending back into the sandhill country. Other countries produce grapes and make wines, but they don't grow the peculiarly delicious scuppernong or make the superb wines that are given such a characteristic tang and premier flavor as that derived exclusively from this unrivaled North Carolina grape.

It must be understood that the limited production of scuppernong grapes, while wonderfully prolific in this immediate country, makes it difficult for the Bear company to supply the widespread demand for their wines. Ordinarily, grape-growing on a large scale is not sufficient for a winery such as theirs, so that in establishing a winery in Wilmington that enterprising firm has paved the way for two great industries—grape-growing and wine-making. They encouraged the production of scuppernongs by offering a guaranteed market at good prices, so that the growth of grape culture is now such that this territory produces 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 bushels of grapes every season. As that industry grew under nurture, the dependent wine-making industry expanded accordingly till now the Wilmington winery is one of the largest in the United States. Its special distinction is that its product is the pure scuppernong wine, or wine products with the scuppernong base. It is not that, however, which specially characterizes the wines of the Bear factory, but it is the high standard of purity which they have established for their products that is giving them an individual and classy reputation and distinction. That is done by the great care and cleanliness observed in the process of manufacture from the time the russet hull of the grape is broken until the cap is placed on the bottled wines. In order to maintain an unvarying standard for their wines, the company employs an expert chemist, Mr. Sidney Greenberg, a graduate of Yale, who makes a specialty of analytical and manufacturing chemistry. The company maintains a laboratory for assays, and their employment of a specialized chemist is for the purpose of assuring a single standard of purity and excellence for the factory's output. Careful assays assure a uniformity of acidity, alcoholity, sweetness and color that could not otherwise be maintained. The wine in the process of manufacture is closely followed by the chemist, and all cloudy effects and other incidents in manufacture receive the prompt attention and investigation that are necessary to discover the cause and remove it with the one view of standardizing every brand of wine.

The Messrs. Bear are living up to one ambition and that is to manufacture strictly high-grade family wines, and they manufacture a score of brands of high merit in their class. There is the first "Bear's Premium Scuppernong," a distinctly "different" wine inimitable in quality, unrivalled in flavor, and specially individual in the charm of its bouquet. This wine is made from selected scuppernong grapes and it has a popularity all its own. "Bell of Carolina" is another choice wine made from huge black Flowers grapes, a product that stands by itself and which has defied all attempts at imitation. Without attempting to go into particulars, it is only necessary to mention Bear's Port, Claret, Sherry, Tokay, Catawba, Madeira, Blackberry, Sauterne and Hock. That is not all, however, for in this winery there is manufactured a champagne of superior excellence. "Bear's Extra Dry Champagne" is no imitation. It is a purely American wine, made on distinct methods, and from the grape that has no rival. The company also makes a specialty of sacramental or altar wines, and full-bodied unfermented grape juice.

Messrs. Sol Bear & Co. are the pioneers in commercial wine-making in this part of the country. The firm was established in 1853, and for many years they have devoted exclusive attention to the development of the present manufacturing industry. The late Mr. Sol Bear established the house, and his successors are his enterprising sons, Messrs. Isadore and Fred Bear, two of Wilmington's best equipped young business men. It is to their credit that the business has been developed to its present large proportions, and The Star is sure that the people of Wilmington and those who come to this city will be interested in

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We Wish You All

A Merry, Merry Christmas

The Peoples Savings Bank

Merry Xmas

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.

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Now Is the Time

To Buy Toys

GAYLORD has filled all his wholesale orders. What is left on hand will be sold Monday and Tuesday to the retail trade at wholesale prices.

Cut Prices on All Fancy and Toilet Articles, Bronze, Brass and Silvered Ornaments. In fact we are going to have a general CLEANING UP of All Christmas Goods on Monday and Tuesday.

LOW PRICES WILL DO IT. Come to the Feast.

210-212-214 North Front Street

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Miss Hattie Midyette left last evening for Goldsboro to spend Christmas with relatives.

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Miss Lillian Fonvielle left yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays in Florence, S. C.

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Miss Grace Roykuff left yesterday evening for Charleston, S. C., to spend a few days with friends.

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Mr. David S. Russell, of Maxton, is here to spend Christmas with his sister, Mrs. W. J. H. Bellamy.

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Mr. Julian Barnwell left yesterday afternoon for his home to spend Christmas at his former home.

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Miss Grace Burriss left last evening for her home on Roanoke Island to spend Christmas with her parents.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Hunt will leave this morning for Point Caswell where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

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Mr. William Morrison, of Charleston, S. C., is here to spend the Christmas season with his friend, Mr. George Kidder.

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Mr. L. S. Wood and daughter, Miss Sadie Wood, of Newbern, are here to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

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Mr. H. D. Thompson, Jr., has gone to Baltimore to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Thompson.

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Mrs. J. E. Clark left yesterday afternoon for Bolton where she will spend several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Clark.

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Mrs. J. S. Britain has returned from Roanoke, Va. She was accompanied home by Mrs. K. K. Turner and little son.

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Mr. J. Frazier Glenn, of Asheville, arrived yesterday to join Mrs. Glenn, who has been visiting relatives here for a few weeks.

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Mr. William Anderson, of Ocala, Fla., is here for a few days, a guest at the home of Mrs. Evander Gregg, on Princess street.

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Mr. Edwin McClure is at home from school to spend the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. D. McClure, at St. Andrew's manse.

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Messrs. Pritchard and Bryan Orr left yesterday afternoon for Currie, where they will spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Orr.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. Kidd, of Washington, N. C., are here to spend the holidays with their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Kidd, No. 1612 Orange street.

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Mr. George Carmichael is home from Chapel Hill to spend the holidays with his father, Mr. J. Wallace Carmichael. Mr. Carmichael is a Senior at the State University.

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Mr. Joseph S. Mitchell, of the legal department of the Atlantic Coast Line at Florence, S. C., arrived yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays with friends and relatives.

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Mrs. Alex. M. McClure, of New York, is spending some week with Dr. and Mrs. A. D. McClure. She has been cordially welcomed by a host of friends made during former visits to this city.

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Mr. J. P. Lucas, editor of the Charlotte Chronicle, has arrived to join Mrs. Lucas and children, who have been here for several days, visiting Mrs. Lucas' parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Craft.

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There will be a matinee dance this afternoon beginning at 4 o'clock at the Elite Dancing Academy and the regular Christmas dance will be given at night. All the young people of the city are cordially invited to attend either or both of the dances.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Covington have as their guests at their home, No. 312 South Third street, Mrs. T. H. Sutton, Misses Dell and Katie Sutton, and Mrs. Charles Rankin, all of Fayetteville. Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Murphy, of Greensboro, are expected in a few days.

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Miss Florence Wessell, who is taking a finishing course at Dr. Curry's School of Expression, Boston, Mass., will not return home to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wessell, but will spend the holidays with friends in one of the suburbs of Boston.

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Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer: "Miss Julia Culbreth, who has ben winning steady reputation in Richmond, where she is a member of the best paid choir of that city, is at home for the holidays, visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. N. M. Culbreth. She has been honored often in Richmond."

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Misses Ruth and Ernestine Bridgers will entertain tonight at a fancy dress dance at the home of their mother, Mrs. Bettie L. Bridgers, No. 101 South Third street. The event promises to be one of the most enjoyable of the holiday season and will be largely attended by the young society folks of the city. In their dress, the guests will impersonate literary, historical and mythological characters.

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Invitations reading as follows have been received by a number of friends in this city and elsewhere:

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Hill Foster
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Edith Hill
to
Mr. George Ray Boyd
Tuesday afternoon, the thirty-first day
of December, Nineteen hundred
and twelve, at two-thirty
o'clock
Five hundred and three Chestnut
street
Wilmington, North Carolina.

The wedding will be a quiet home affair and invitations have been issued only to relatives, intimate friends and to the official members of the First Baptist church, of which the bride-elect's father is pastor.

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SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE AND ST. ANDREW ENTERTAIN.

In spite of the inclement weather Monday evening, the United Society of St. George and St. Andrew entertained a party of about 25 foreign guests at St. John's Parish House, on North Third street. A delightful supper consisting of the season's delicacies was served amid the most joyful surroundings. A stirring and impressive address was delivered by the society chaplain, Rev. W. E. Cox, and many English songs and Scotch ballads, also a number of delightful musical selections, were rendered by members and their guests.

In a most pleasing manner Mr. H. G. Smallbones, president, extended a hearty welcome to the visitors, while the committee on arrangements, consisting of Messrs. J. B. Queich and A. M. Thomson, left nothing undone that might add to the enjoyment of those present.

Among those contributing to the evening's pleasure were Messrs. F. Lomas, D. Hodge, W. Brooks, G. N. Spavin, A. M. Spavin, W. S. Sutherland, R. J. Holt and Robert Hunt. The fresh looking, rosy cheeked foreigners, some of whom have only recently landed on our shores, seemed highly appreciative of the efforts being made to make them feel at home in their newly adopted land.

The chief object of the Society of St. George and St. Andrew is to encourage good fellowship among its members and to lend assistance to their native countrymen when in need. The membership is comprised

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All good Grocers sell it or will get it for you.

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What is nicer for a present than a Stein-Bloch Suit or Overcoat, a Stetson Hat, a pair of Gloves, a Suit Case or Grip, a swell Tie, a stylish Sweater, a fancy Shirt, a beautiful Combination Set, a nobby pair of Pants, an Automobile Gloves, a dozen Arrow Collars, a pair of Silk Hose, a Scarf Pin, or an elegant Muffler and a Bath Robe with Slippers to match. For any of the above goods, come to us. We are right next to the Bijou.

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are one of the most important presents, and you are beginning to think very seriously of presents, aren't you?. It is time you not only thought but bought those Christmas gifts you know will delight the recipient. Our stock of boots, shoes and slippers is for your special inspection, and we invite your most critical examination. When given as presents they should be perfect—in styles, leathers, fit and comfort.

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They will spring up like Mushrooms from now on. CAR SERVICE will be installed shortly. Rails are now here and on the ground.

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Large Stock on Hand.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington. Effective September 9th, 1912. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
N. 90, ! 3:40 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. No. 91 leaves Norfolk 12:35 P. M. and Richmond 14:10 P. M.	No. 91, a 1:00 A. M.
No. 51, * 8:35 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars Between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50, *12:30 A. M.
No. 64, ! 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No 65, ! 6:25 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:30 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadourn, Conway (!), Florence, Charleston, Savannah, All Florida Points, Columbia, Asheville and the West. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54, * 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P.M.
N. 59, ! 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, !10:15 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41, *10:00 A. M.
No. 57, ! 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No.58, ! 8:15 A. M.

* Daily. ! Daily except Sunday. a Daily except Monday

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager. T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent. WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect October 29, 1912.

Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for Winter Park	EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville	EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for The Beach	WEST BOUND. Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	WEST BOUND. Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	WEST BOUND. Leave The Beach for Wilmington
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Special for Saturdays and Sundays.

Leave Wilmington every half hour from 2:00 until 5:00 P. M.
Leave Beach every half hour from 2:45 until 5:45 P. M.

Cars marked (*) do not run on Sundays.
Cars marked (!) run Sundays only.
Cars marked (x) superceded by half-hour schedule Saturdays and Sundays.
Cars marked (o) leave at 1:10 P. M. Saturdays.

Freight Schedule.

Daily Except Sunday.
Leave Ninth and Orange Streets 3:00 P. M.
Freight Depot open from 2:00 to 3:00 P. M.

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New York to Wilmington.
Steamship "Carib," Fri., Dec. 13th, 1912.
Steamship "Navahoe," Fri., Dec. 20th, 1912.

Wilmington to New York.
Steamship "Carib," Sat., Dec. 7th, 1912.
Steamship "Navahoe," Sat., Dec. 14th, 1912.

Wilmington to Georgetown.
Steamship "Navahoe," Mon., Dec. 9th, 1912.
Steamship "Carib," Mon., Dec. 16th, 1912.

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Through bills of lading and rates guaranteed to and from points in North and South Carolina.

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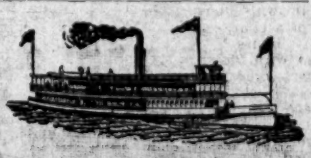

HARPER LINE STEAMERS.

Steamer will leave Wilmington daily (except Sunday) for Southport and Fort Caswell 9:30 A. M. Leaves Southport 2:30 P. M.
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WILMINGTON, N. C.

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SEABOARD

Air Line Railway

Schedule Effective July 7th, 1912.

TRAINS LEAVE WILMINGTON.

No. 45—5 A. M., arrive Hamlet, 9:05 A. M. Leave Hamlet, 9:25 A. M.; arrive Charlotte, 12:10 P. M. Connects at Hamlet with trains Nos. 66 for Raleigh, Norfolk, Richmond and All Points North, and with No. 81, for Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa and all points South. At Monroe with train No. 53, for Atlanta.

DAILY SLEEPER ON NO. 45 TRAIN FOR CHARLOTTE. OPEN FOR OCCUPANCY AT 10 O'CLOCK P. M.

No. 39—3:25 P. M., arrive Hamlet, 7:40 P. M.; leave Hamlet, 8:00 P. M.; arrive Charlotte, 11:00 P. M. Connects at Hamlet with through trains for Atlanta, Birmingham, Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa. Also Norfolk, Richmond and All Points North. Pullman chair car between Wilmington and Charlotte.

TRAINS ARRIVE WILMINGTON.

No. 40—12:30 P. M. from Charlotte and intermediate points.

No. 44—12:10 A. M. from Charlotte and intermediate points.

For further information, call on or telephone

CLAUDE MURRY, Union Ticket Agent. 'Phone: 1294.
F. A. FETTER, C. A., 'Phone 178, Orton Hotel.
H. S. LEARD, Div. Passenger Agent, Raleigh, N. C.

W. B. & S. R. R.

Schedule in Effect Thursday, Sept. 5, 1912.

P. M.		A. M.
3:15	Lv . . . . Wilmington . . . . Ar.	8:15
4:05	" . . . . Town Creek . . . . "	7:20
4:20	" . . . . Bolivia . . . . "	7:05
4:55	Ar. . . . . Southport . . . . Lv.	6:30

Mixed train operated daily except Sunday Leaving Navasso at 8:30 A. M., arriving Southport 10:35 A. M. Leaving Southport 11:20 A. M., arriving Navassa, 1:15 P. M.

H. E. GOODWIN, Traffic Manager.

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N. & W. Ry. Norfolk & Western

Quickest and BestLine West and Northwest.

Block System. Rock Ballast. 85-lb. Rails.

Schedule in Effect May 12, 1912.

Lv. Norfolk	8:30 a.m.	8:00 p.m.
Lv. Petersburg	11:00 a.m.	10:40 p.m.
Lv. Durham	7:00 a.m.	5:30 p.m.
Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 p.m.	2:50 a.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a.m.	6:25 p.m.
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a.m.	6:25 p.m.
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p.m.	7:30 a.m.
Ar. St. Louis	6:32 p.m.	8:30 a.m.

Close connections made for Seattle, San Francisco and all Western points.

Pullman sleeping and parlor cars N. and W. Cafe dining cars. Equipment and service standard of excellence. Blue Ridge and Allegheny mountains crossed at most picturesque parts.

Time tables, descriptive literature and information free. Correspondence invited.

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Financial and Commercial

COTTON WAS FAIRLY ACTIVE FLUCTUATIONS WERE NARROW STOCK OPERATIONS NOMINAL

Market Opened With Show of Activity But Later Became Very Quiet, With Business Almost Suspended In Afternoon

New Yoork, December 24.—The cotton market was fairly active for a time during today's early trading, but later became very quiet, with business practically suspended during the afternoon, when the brokers seemed chiefly interested in the festivities and exchange of holiday greetings, which are usual at the wind up of business for over the Christmas holidays. The close was quiet, with last prices net unchanged to six points higher. The opening was steady, at an advance of 4 to 8 points and prices sold about 10 to 11 points higher during the early trading on covering of shorts for over the two-day adjournment and moderate support from bullish trade sources. Better cables than due and bullish over-night spot advices from the South contributed to the advance, which was checked during the middle of the morning, however, by realizing or scattered local selling, with the market later reacting several points from the best. Aside from a few scattering Southern advices, there appeared to be little or nothing in the way of fresh news, and it was generally considered that the day's business reflected nothing more important than a further evening up of scattering accounts in advance of the holidays, as all three of the big markets will be closed from tonight until next Friday morning. Private cables attributed the advance in Liverpool to buying by spot houses and the English spot sales were considered unusually heavy for the day before Christmas, but some of the large Wall Street interests were sellers on the early advance here and after the demand from recent scattered sellers had been supplied, comparatively small offerings were sufficient to send prices off in the later trading.

Spot, steady. Middling uplands, 12.30; do. gulf, 13.45; sales, none.

Futures closed quiet.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	12.82	12.85	12.77	12.77
Feb	.....	.....	.....	12.70
Mar	12.74	12.80	12.72	12.75
April	.....	.....	.....	12.73
May	12.74	12.80	12.71	12.75
June	.....	.....	.....	12.67
July	12.64	12.71	12.62	12.69
Aug	12.53	12.58	12.54	12.55
Sept	12.00	.....	.....	12.60
Oct	11.80	11.87	11.78	11.84
Nov	12.81	.....	.....	12.81
Dec	12.81	12.81	12.75	12.74

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady, 12⅞; net receipts, 33,580; gross receipts, 33,580; sales, 200; stock, 516,409; constwise, 172.

New Orleans—Steady, 12⅞; net receipts, 10,618; gross receipts, 10,641; sales, 1,835; stock, 218,826; Great Britain, 13,000; France, 7,500; constwise, 2,586.

Mobile—Steady, 12⅝; net receipts, 900; gross receipts, 928; sales, 125; stock, 41,641; constwise, 3,093.

Savannah—Steady, 12⅝; net receipts, 8,191; gross receipts, 8,191; sales, 1,911; stock, 102,237; constwise, 5,318.

Charleston—Quiet, 12⅝; net receipts, 993; gross receipts, 993; stock, 75,228; constwise, 100.

Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts, 2,831; gross receipts, 2,831; stock, 15,615.

Norfolk—Steady, 12 13-16; net receipts, 2,029; gross receipts, 2,029; sales, 1,023; stock, 73,208; constwise, 1,551.

Baltimore—Nominal, 13; stock, 7,280.

New York—Steady, 13.20; gross receipts, 6,908; stock, 161,470; Great Britain, 5,525; continent, 2,522; constwise, 9,206.

Boston—Steady, 13.20; net receipts, 376; gross receipts, 1,425; stock, 13,742; Great Britain, 1,586.

Philadelphia—Steady, 13.45; gross receipts, 900; stock, 8,075.

Texas City—Net receipts, 717; gross receipts, 717; stock, 45,712.

Brunswick—Stock, 22,894.

Aransas Pass—Stock, 4,266.

Jacksonville—Stock, 1,950.

San Francisco—Net receipts, 2,011; gross receipts, 2,031; Japan, 2,031.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 62,806; Great Britain, 20,111; France, 7,500; continent, 2,522; Japan, 2,031; stock, 1,306,293.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 162,658; Great Britain, 40,684; France, 24,674; continent, 54,107; Japan, 2,031.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 6,784,583; Great Britain, 2,224,575; France, 715,993; continent, 1,914,316; Japan, 113,098; Mexico, 1,000.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Quiet, 12⅞; net receipts, 12,931; gross receipts, 12,931; shipments, 12,040; sales, 1,622; stock, 162,758.

Augusta—Steady, 13; net receipts, 3,029; gross receipts, 3,225; shipments, 1,262; sales, 495; stock, 122,455.

Memphis—Quiet, 13¼; net receipts, 4,226; gross receipts, 7,009; shipments, 5,097; sales, 600; stock, 166,496.

St. Louis—Quiet, 13¼; net receipts, 250; gross receipts, 4,521; shipments, 4,336; stock, 18,965.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 1,704; gross receipts, 1,704; shipments, 2,312; stock, 16,319.

Little Rock—Quiet, 12⅞; net receipts, 660; gross receipts, 660; shipments, 945; stock, 46,763.

Total today—Net receipts, 22,800; gross receipts, 30,656; shipments, 26,901; sales, 2,717; stock, 532,951.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 24.—Money on call, steady, at 5@8 per cent.; ruling rate, 6; closing bid, 5½; ooffered at 6. Time loans, easier; sixty days, 6 per cent.; ninety days, 5¾@6 per cent.; six months, 5¼@5½. Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent. Sterling exchange, easy, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.8125 for sixty day bills and at 4.8530 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.80¾. Bar silver, 62½. Mexican dollars, 49.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 23.—Spanish—Market, firm. Farmers' Spanish, $1.27½ per bushel. Jumbo Spanish, $1.20 per bushel. No. 1, Shelled Spanish, 7¼c. per lb. No. 2, Shelled Spanish, 4c. per lb.

Virginias—Market, firm. Fancy Jumbo, 3¾c. per lb. Fancy Hand Picked, 3½c. per lb. Extra Prime, 3¼c. per lb. Prime, 3c. per lb. Machine Picked, 3c. to 3¼c. per lb. Shelling Stock, 2½c. per lb.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New Yoork, Dec. 24.—The cotton goods markets were very quiet for the day, most houses closing early and transporting being delayed by the storm. The strike of tailors which is threatened has led to requests for the withholding of shipments of men's wear goods due after the turn of the year.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Dec. 24.—Turpentine and rosin, quiet.

Savannah, Dec. 24.—No naval stores market today.

Could Shout for Joy.

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart," wrote C. B. Rader, of Lewisburg, W. Va., "for the wonderful double benefit I got from Electric Bitters, in curing me of both a severe case of stomach trouble and of rheumatism from which I had been an almost helpless sufferer for ten years. It suited my case as though made just for me." For dyspepsia, indigestion, jaundice, and to rid the system of kidney poisons that cause rheumatism, Electric Bitters have no equal. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50 cents at R. R. Bellamy.

(Advertisement.)

Grains Closed Easy and Provisions Steady—Wheat Lower, Corn Down and Oats Depressed. Closing Prices.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Board of Trade markets fluctuated narrowly today, provisions closing steady and grains easy.

Wheat was ¼@¼c to ⅝c. lower; corn, ⅝ to ⅝@⅝c. down, and oats ⅛ to ¼@¼c. depressed at the close.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.01½@1.10½; No. 2, hard, 89@93; No. 1, Northern, 89@90; No. 2, Northern, 87½@88½; No. 2, Spring, 87@88; velvet chaff, 85@89; durum, 86@89.

Oats—No. 2, 53; No. 2, white, 34@34⅜.

MARINE.

Cleared.

Str. Navahoe, 1,278 tons, Packer, Georgetown, H. G. Smallbones.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Helsingborg (Swd.), 1,362 tons, Meier, Heide & Co.

Str. Monitoria (Br.), 1,165 tons, Marlowe, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. King George (Br.), 2,480 tons, Burnett, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Schr. Perry Setzer, 1,208 tons, Blake, Maffitt & Wood.

Schr. Richard F. C. Hartley, 398 tons, Swain, Maffitt & Wood.

Schr Victor C. Records, 263 tons, Griffith, Maffitt & Wood.

Schr. Louise P. (Br.), 160 tons, Albury, Maffitt & Wood.

Barques.

Bk. Madura (Nor.), 1,023 tons, Brandt, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 24.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market, holiday.

Quotations same day last year: Spirits turpentine, 49¼; rosin, $6.25; tar, $1.80; crude turpentine, $3.50 for hard; $4.50 for dip; $4.50 for virgin.

Receipts.

Spirits Turpentine	18
Rosin	60
Tar	64
Crude Turpentine	8

Receipts same day last year, 2 casks spirits turpentine; 92 barrels rosin; 13 barrels tar; 84 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nominal.

Same day last year, 8½.

Receipts, 2,831; same day last year, 1,698 bales.

Total receipts since Sept. 1st, 287,692 bales.

Total receipts same time last year, 346,528 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 24.)

CORN—Firm; 90c. per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, 85c. to 95c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, dull, 50 to 60c.

BEEF—On foot, good demand, 3@4c. per lb.; dressed, 8c.

PORK—Dull, 9 to 10c.

WOOL—Burry, 15 to 18c. per lb.; free of burr, 25c. per lb.

HIDES—Green, 11c. per lb.; dry, 13 to 16 2-3c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 19 to 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 13½ to 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; 27@28c. per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; 4¼ to 5c. per lb.

POULTRY—Chickens, very dull; grown, 45 to 50c. Chickens, Spring, 18 to 35c. per head. Turkeys, on foot, dull, 18c.

SHEEP—Old, $1.00@2.50; lambs, $1.00@3.00.

EGGS—Dull, 25c.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at the Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 24.

Atlantic Coast Line—1,972 bales cootton; 1 cask spirits turpentine; 6 barrels rosin; 41 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

Alice May—17 casks spirits turpentine; 60 barrels rosin; 16 barrels tar.

River—19 bales cotton.

Clyde—434 bales cotton.

Total—283 bales cotton; 18 casks spirits turpentine; 66 barrels rosin; 64 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 21.

Market—Steady.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.10; machine-picked, $1.05.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, $1.10; machine picked, $1.05.

Virginias—Prime hand-picked, 70c.; machine-picked, 65c.

THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Only a Few Cases for Trial at Yesterday's Sitting.

The Recorder's court was in session only a short time yesterday, most of the cases being continued until tomorrow. James Smith, a colored youth, charged with the larceny of half a pint of milk from a milk wagon, tried at Monday's session, was paroled in the custody of Rev. Father Hayden, who has taken an interest in the boy, until January 13th, when he is to appear in Superior Court for sentence. Robt. Brown, colored, was found not guilty of a charge of firing a pistol in the city limits. Tom Hill, colored, charged with violating the stock law, was discharged, the case having been nol prossed with leave.

A case against Charlie Johnson, a white man, charged with failure to pay a board bill to W. G. Gurganus, was continued until tomorrow. The case against Chas. Brown, alias "Black Cat", charged with carrying a concealed weapon, was continued until January 1st.

—Among yesterday's guests at The Orton were Geo. W. Foushee, Greensboro; Dr. W. B. Murphy, Snow Hill; Geo. Boyd, Wilson; Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Johnson, Lumberton; Dr. and Mrs. B. W. Page, Lumberton; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Boykin, Hamlet.

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The Southern National Bank

Volume of Business and Fluctuations In Important Issues So Small Market Hardly Betrayed Sign of Life

New York, December 24.—Operations on the stock exchange were on a nominal basis, with the volume of business and fluctuations in important issues so small that the market scarcely betrayed a sign of life. The ticker was silent for minutes at a time, and in the noon hour only about 7,000 shares were dealt in. The total for the day were only 115,000 shares. It was a typical day befoore Christmas market. Many of the active speculators were absent, and those who remained found little to do. The most exciting episode of the day was a snow ball battle on the floor of the exchange, where the usual stern discipline relaxed in recognition of the holiday.

The one feature of the day was the local traction group. The statement that an agreement has been reached in the subway negotiations strengthened these shares, and the trading in them amounted to an unusually large proportion of the day's business. Brooklyn Rapid Transit led in the movement, with an advance of 3½, and Third avenue and the Inter-borough Metropolitan stocks scored large gains.

The usual stock market leaders varied but slightly from yesterday's close. Bear traders made a show of selling some of the active shares early in the day, but failed to attract a following and the small losses were made up. Bethlehem Steel issues and Sears Roebuck were strong. Call money rates again advanced, at one time touching 8 per cent., but the demand was slight and before the close the rate had fallen to 4 per cent. Loans were renewed at 6 per cent., as compared with 4½ per cent yesterday. The rise was regarded as a natural development at this time with final preparations of the year's financing, but a few days off. The year-end dividend and interest disbursements which must be arranged are placed in the neighborhood of 250,000,000.

Bonds were irregular, with exceptional strength in Brooklyn Transit 48 and other traction issues. Total sales, par value, $1,449,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. Total sales today, 115,400 shares.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 24.—Flour—Dull.

Wheat—Steady. No. 2, red, 1.08@1.09; No. 1, Northern Duluth, 97¾.

Corn—Easy. Export, 54¾.

Hides—Dull.

Leather—Firm.

Petroleum—Steady.

Molasses—Steady.

Wool—Quiet.

Rice—Firm.

Sugar—Raw and refined, steady.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Quiet.

Coffee—Spot, quiet; Rio, No. 7, 14¼; Santos, No. 4, 16¼; mild and Cordova, 16¼@18.

Potatoes—Steady and unchanged.

Peanuts—Steady and unchanged.

Freights—Steady and unchanged.

Cabbages—Steady and unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil—Dull, with trading of the pre-holiday sort, prices being firmer on covering of December shorts, and light offerings. Closing prices were 2 to 5 points net higher. Sales, 3,500 barrels. Prime crude, 5.20, nominal; prime Summer yellow, 6.25@6.35; December, 6.23; January, 6.32; February, 6.24; March, 6.27; April, 6.30; May, 6.36; June, 6.36; July, 6.41. Prime Winter yellow and Summer white, 6.40@6.80.

BIG REALTY DEAL.

Mr. Geo. H. Hutaff Buys Two City Blocks on Railroad

According to a deed of conveyance filed for record yesterday, Capt. Walter G. MacRae transfers to Mr. Geo. H. Hutaff, property of such value and desirability of location as to make the deal one of the most important of the closing year. The conveyance embraces all the lots in two entire city blocks, the property lying along the tracks of the Atlantic Coast Line between Wood and Dickinson streets and Hall street and the railroad.

The purchase price is not made public but it ran up into the thousands. While Mr. Hutaff is the purchaser, the property which he bought yesterday adjoins about 100 acres in the same locality, recently purchased by him and his associates of the Atlantic Realty Company, of which Mr. Hutaff is president. This company has been one of the most active purchasers of real estate in the city and county during this exceedingly busy real estate year in the growing city of Wilmington. It is a pretty well authenticated rumor that their transactions in the past few months have footed up a value of at least $150,000. Their purchases also include lands in New Hanover, Pender and adjoining counties.

Mr. Hutaff and his associates will develop their plans during the next few months, and it is hinted that it means something big for Wilmington. Their holdings in the city will probably be devoted to residences and industries, but more will come out about that later as the company's plans mature.

—A warrant was served on Mr. Walter Croom yesterday afternoon by Constable Davis, charging him with assault on Mr. H. Willoughby. The difficulty is alleged to have occurred at Second and Princess streets about 3 o'clock. Mr. Willoughby swore out the warrant. The trial is set for tomorrow before Justice Harriss.

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Supt. Augusta Southern Railway,
Augusta, Ga.

Social and Personal

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of native born Englishmen and Scotchmen and their sons.

The members present were H. G. Smallbones, president; W. Grant, vice president; Bertram Quelch, secretary; John Mathers, A. M. Thomson, J. B. Quelch, Robert Hunt, W. S. Sutherland, J. Sharrock, Robt. Scott, John King, R. Ingram, R. J. Holt and Rev. W. E. Cox, chaplain. The visitors were Messrs. F. Lomas, W. Grieve, G. Murrison, D. Hodge, W. Hutcheson, W. Brooks, B. E. Matthews, G. N. Spavin and others.

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Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 23.—Much interest is being taken here in the convention of the Sigma Nu fraternity that will be held here, with headquarters at the Piedmont Hotel, December 30th-January 1st. The 150 Atlanta Sigs have made preparations to royally entertain the 500 delegates. The convention will open with a banquet at the Piedmont Hotel on December 30th and will end with a grand ball on New Year's night. Many prominent and representative men from all over the United States will be in attendance and among them the grand officers of the fraternity and some of the founders of the Association which has grown since January 1st, 1869, to include 68 chapters and 10,000 men.

—The City Council met at 9:15 o'clock yesterday morning, but adjourned about a minute later as there was no business to be transacted. Owing to the fact that today is Christmas Day it had been decided not to meet this morning and the meeting yesterday was called so that any matters needing attention might be taken up. A special meeting may be held later in the week.

—The Standard Supply Co., of this city, has started three suits in Superior Court against the following defendants: J. Sprunt Newton and N. M. Walker, J. Sprunt Newton, Linden Lumber Company, Inc., and N. M. Walker. Kenan & Stacy represent the plaintiff company.

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U. S. ENGINEER OFFICE, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 7, 1912.—Sealed proposals for furnishing f. o. b. cars, Wilmington, N. C., about 1,000 tons of steel sheet piling for Lock and Dam No. 1, on Cape Fear river, at King's Bluff, N. C., will be received at this office until 2 P. M., Dec. 26, 1912, and then publicly opened. Information on application. H. W. Stickle, Maj. Engrs. de8.10.11.12.25.26-6t

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LOCAL DOTS.

—The fire department was called out at 4:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon on account of a false alarm from box 24, corner Front and Red Cross streets.

—The revenue cutter Seminole, which has been on a short eruise off the Cape Fear bar, returned to her station here yesterday and will be in port for Christmas.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. A. L. Vann, of Aberdeen, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

—J. C. Vann, Esq., of the Monroe bar, is here to spend the holidays with his uncle, Capt. Walter G. MacRae.

—Mr. W. M. Robbins, superintendent of the Swift Fertilizer Works, Columbia, S. C., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Robbins, No. 221 North Seventh street.

—Capt. Geo. W. Smith, day sergeant of the police department, has resumed his duties at headquarters, after being confined to his home for two or three weeks on account of illness.

SOCIAL.

GREETING FROM JOHANNESBURG.

Cable From Far South Africa Received by Dr. and Mrs. McClure.

Greetings from son to father and mother from far Johannesburg, South Africa, came to Dr. and Mrs. A. D. McClure from their son, Mr. Alex. M. McClure, just as they were preparing with other members of the family the Christmas decorations at St. Andrew's manse last evening about 9 o'clock. The greetings were, of course, by cable and "hands across the sea", so to speak, were clasped in the imagination of father and son and each wished the other the season's richest blessings. Mr. Alex. McClure is now with the Yale Time Lock Co., with headquarters in New York, and was called to South Africa just before the holidays on a business trip. Mrs. McClure is visiting Dr. and Mrs. McClure while her husband is away and it is needless to say that it was a happy family in Wilmington when the cablegram was received at the happy fireside.

TOKEN OF APPRECIATION.

Handsome Gift Presented Last Night to Mr. J. P. Whyte.

As a token of their appreciation of his efforts as their teacher and of the esteem in which he is held by the individual members, the Business Men's Bible Class of the First Baptist church last night presented to Mr. J. P. Whyte, their teacher, a handsome silver meat platter. The presentation was made through a committe appointed recently for the purpose, composed of Mr. F. L. Huggins, chairman; Dr. A. M. Baldwin and Mr. N. M. McEachern. The gift was taken to the home of Mr. Whyte, No. 108 South Fourth street, last night by members of the committee, accompanied by Mr. D. H. Penton, president of the class. In presenting the gift Mr. Penton made a few remarks. The remembrance was gratefully appreciated by Mr. Whyte and he thanked members of the committee most heartily.

Thespian Parents Bereaved.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Kreps, vaudeville actors, who are appearing this week at the Crystal Palace, will have the sympathy of a number of friends made during their short stay in Wilmington upon the death of their infant daughter, Mary Harriet, aged four months, which occurred yesterday at the boarding home of the parents, No. 121 Market street, after an illness of several days with peritonitis following colitis with which the child was suffering upon the arrival of the parents in Wilmington. The body will be removed today to Brimmer's funeral parlors and will be later taken to the home of the parents at Mercersburg, Pa., for interment.

Elks Keep Open House.

Wilmington Lodge of Elks will keep open house today on account of the Christmas holidays and all local and visiting Elks are cordially invited to make the Temple on North Front street their headquarters. Refreshments will be served from 9:30 to 1 o'clock.

BLEASE PARDONS EIGHTY

South Carolina Governor Breaks Record for His State

Columbia, S. C., December 24.—All records in this State for the number of pardons granted in one day were broken today when 80 convicts were released by order of Governor Cole L. Blease. Included in the number of prisoners who were given their freedom as a Christmas present are convicts serving terms for offenses ranging from first degree murder to minor infractions of the law.

CHANGE IN A. C. L. SCHEDULE.

Effective January 5th, 1913.

A. C. L. train No. 42 for Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York, will leave Wilmington at 6:45 P. M. instead of 7:00 P. M., as formerly.

A. C. L. train No. 50 from Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, etc., will arrive Wilmington 12:20 A. M., instead 12:30 A. M. as formerly.

T. C. WHITE,
General Passenger Agent.

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ENTRY NO. 9129.

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I hereby enter and lay claim to the following tract of vacant land in the County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, in Federal Point Township: Beginning at Stephen Key s' and R. B. Freeman's corner at a stake 47 East 48 poles to a lightwood stump the North corner of Peter Maxwell's tract of land; thence South 25 West with the said Peter Maxwell's West line to the South corner in said line; thence about West to the Freeman line, and with said line about North to the beginning, containing Twenty (20) acres, more or less.

This, the 27th day of November, 1912.

SAMUEL A. LEWIS.

Entered and filed this 27th day of November, 1912.

JOHN HAAR,
Register of Deeds and Acting Entry Taker.
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This sale will last only a few more days. Call at once, and have your measure taken by an expert cutter, and your Suit will be delivered by Christmas.

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And numerous other articles that are useful gifts. Any goods bought now we will reserve for you.

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We wish to announce that our Art and Portrait Departments will be closed until January 11th, 1913.

Our Commercial and Amateur Departments will be open as usual.

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the inspection of an industry that takes rank as one of its leading manufactories.

The process will be interesting to all callers and they will follow the method with marked attention from the time the grapes are unloaded and run through the machine which breaks the skin until the wine comes out a finished product. It is not necessary to go through all the process, which requires all three large floors, upon each of which there is special machinery used in the business. The entire building is piped and the product is handled automatically from start to finish, the final process being the filling of bottles by a machine which fills 40 bottle every minute. The bottles are capped, sealed and labeled by machinery, and a railway carries them on their last round where they are slipped into their straw jackets and finally cased. A nailing machine puts the tops on the cases, and they are then ready for shipment. A force of 50 men is employed, and the winery has its own cooperage shop, and every facility for shipping without the expense of cartage.

Not the least admirable feature of the large building are the handsome private offices of the company. These are on the Marsteller street side and in the tier of offices is a nearby furnished reception room where guests get a royal welcome. The winery is open for inspection from 3 P. M. to 5 P. M., and the electric cars run out every 15 minutes. The "Greenfield" cars carry one within a few steps of the establishment, which indeed is an institution that will well repay a visit.

USUAL OBSERVANCE HERE

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company. The committee on distribution is composed of Messrs. B. P. Strickland, H. S. Dill, W. B. Schuler, Frank Lamb, T. D. Love, Fred Bancks and Willie Bancks. Any family should feel proud of a basket like that which the Elks have prepared. The charity committee, which had charge of the buying of the provisions and making other arrangements for the distribution of the baskets, is composed of Mr. Benj. Bell, chairman, where he has served most efficiently for several years, and Messrs. J. H. Niggel and F. K. Hottal, who also takes great interest in this work.

The Salvation Army, in charge of Adjutant Mataxas, will distribute about 100 baskets this morning. A Christmas tree will be given by the Army for the poor children of the city on New Year's night.

The committee of the Business Men's Bible Class of the First Baptist church, met last night and sent a check to the Catherine Kennedy Home and a check to Adjutant Mataxas, of the Salvation Army. This money is a portion of the proceeds from the recent lecture of William Jennings Bryan, who appeared here under the auspices of the class. Other appropriations will be made later.

A supper will be served in Memorial Hall of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church this evening at 6 o'clock to the sailors in port, and an attractive musical programme will be rendered during the evening. The affair has been arranged under the direction of Mr. T. C. Findlay and is a most happy plan to thus extend something of the Christmas cheer to those far away from home. The supper will be served by the young ladies of the Christian Endeavor Society.

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Consomme Solferno
Queen Olives Salted Almonds
Celery Mixed Sweet Pickles

Broiled Live Lobster Lemon Butter
Planked Kenebeck Salmon,
Montpelliere
Pommes en Bordure

Smoked Tongue with Spinach

Native Quail on Toast With Bacon
Braised Calf Sweetbreads
Aux Truffes
Beiguet Soufflee Au Confiture

Dry Sherry

Prime Ribs of Beef Au Jus
Boiled or Mashed Potatoes
Steamed Rice

Roast Young Turkey Walnut Dressing Cranberry Sauce
Corn on Cob Asparagus Tips
Fried Egg Plant
Stuffed Sweet Potatoes

Haunch of Black-tail Deer,
Army Style
Lettuce en Mayonaise Spanish Style

Corn Bread Buttermilk
Tutti Frutti Ice Cream

Mince Pie Strawberry Tartlets
Neapolitan Meringue Pie
Christmas Fruit Cake
Gold Loaf Cake Chocolate Nut Kisses
Creme d' Menth Grape Fruit

Mixed Nuts Apples Figs
Layer Raisins

Pineapple, Brick, American and Neufchatel Cheese
Saltines

Tea Coffee Milk

Wednesday, December 25th, 1912.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.
December 25, 1912.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 39 degrees; at 8 P. M., 42 degrees; maximum, 47 degrees; minimum, 38 degrees; mean, 42 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .52; rainfall for the month to date, 2.17.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 3.5 feet and rising.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair and somewhat warmer Wednesday; Thursday, fair.

Port Calendar—Dec. 25.

Sun rises ..... 7:16 A. M.
Sun sets ..... 5:00 P. M.
Day's length ..... 9 hrs. 55 min.

Tides.

	High water. A.M.	High water. P.M.	Low water. A.M.	Low water. P.M.
Wilmington	10:51	11:13	4:52	6:10
Southport	8:31	8:52	2:09	3:02
Masonboro Inlet	8:02	8:23	1:40	2:33

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS
December 24, 1912.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature. Highest today.	Temperature. Lowest last night.	24-hour precipitation, 8 P. M
Abilene	clear	52	24	.0
Asheville	clear	34	28	.0
Atlanta	clear	44	32	.06
Augusta	clear	52	34	.30
Birmingham	clear	46	34	.04
Boston	snowing	32	30	.88
Charleston	clear	50	32	.28
Charlotte	clear	44	28	.12
Chicago	clear	40	24	.0
Galveston	clear	48	40	.0
Jacksonville	clear	64	60	.0
Memphis	clear	46	30	.0
Mobile	clear	54	42	.0
Montgomery	clear	52	38	.02
New Orleans	clear	50	42	.0
New York	clear	28	26	1.14
Pittsburg	cloudy	34	28	.30
Raleigh	clear	44	32	.44
Savannah	clear	54	44	.04
St. Louis	clear	52	28	.0
Washington	clear	36	28	.58

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American National Bank—Interest.
Academy of Music—The Pickerts.
Fidelity T. & D. Co.—Sunset Park.
J. W. Brooks—Christmas Greetings.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Merry Christmas.
Home Savings Bank—A Merry Christmas.
Gaylord-Platt-Haar Co. — Consolidation Announcement.

Business Locals.

Wanted—Position.
Lost—Gold Locket.
Lost—Nose Glasses.
Wanted—Active Man.
For Rent—Front Room.
B. F. Keith—Christmas Present.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Advertisements inserted under this head, One Cent per word for each insertion, but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words, more than 25, One Cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amounts being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge, a Western Union Messenger to any address in the city for advertisements in this department upon request by 'Phone to No. 51. A Messenger will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Company, or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for collecting the telegrams, but a small charge for strictly Messenger Service calls will be made, or telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams; bills rendered to suit the sender, daily, weekly or monthly. For this service, call "Western Union." But for advertisements, always call the Star office, No. 51. Copy for Business Locals cannot be taken over the telephone—but upon request Messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them.

WANTED—Active man of good address, to secure orders for salable line of staples which bring continuous repeat orders. Excellent prospects. For interview, address P. O. Box 401. de25-1t*

LOST—Gold locket with Old English "D" on one side and "June 6, 1910" on other. Return to 714 Orange street for reward. de25-1t*

LOST—Pair nose glasses. Finder will please advise Miss Frances Shannon, 312 N. Third street. de25-1t*

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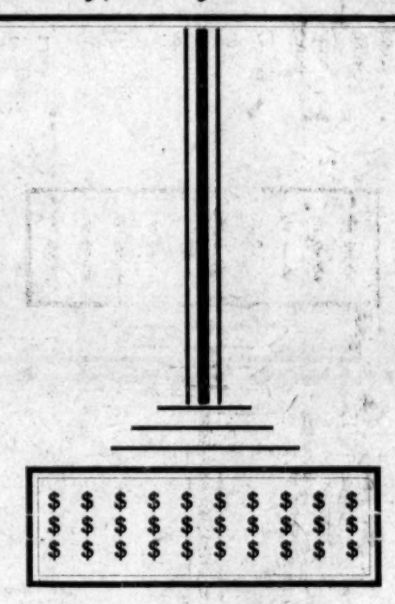

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